VENUS in LOVE
ビーナスは片想(かたおも)い
Episode 21

HERE!
DANGLE
AW!
IT'S SO CUTE!
DANGLE DANGLE
.....

LUCKY! HOW WAS IT, GETTING TO SEE LIVE PANDAS?!
THEY REMINDED ME OF YOU.
MARIA-CHAN PESTERED YUKI-KUN INTO GOING TO THE OJI ZOO.
?
?
THEY MOVE SLUGGISHLY AND SLEEP ALL DAY.
FWAP FWAP FWAP
THAT HURTS, UGLY WENCH!

UOZUMI-SAN, I GOT YOU A SOUVENIR!
SHOVE
HERE!
AH!
ZOOOOM
PANDA BEAN-JAM BUNS?
Panda Bean-Jam Buns
YOU GUYS HAVE A LOT OF ENERGY FOR THIS EARLY IN THE MORNING...
UOZUMI-KUN!
WHAT'S UP?
HEH...
I WISH I COULD'VE SEEN THE PANDAS...
HA HA HA!
MUSHED INTO ONE BUN? WOW ...
LET'S ALL EAT 'EM TOGETHER!
IT'S GOT BOTH WHITE AND BLACK BEAN JAM.

YUKI-KUN GAVE IT TO ME!
WHAT'S THAT?
GLOMP
HMPH ...
WHY, DO YOU WANT IT?
TOO BAD! 'CAUSE I'M NOT GIVING IT TO YOU! EH-HEH-HEH!

Hi, Nakaji here!

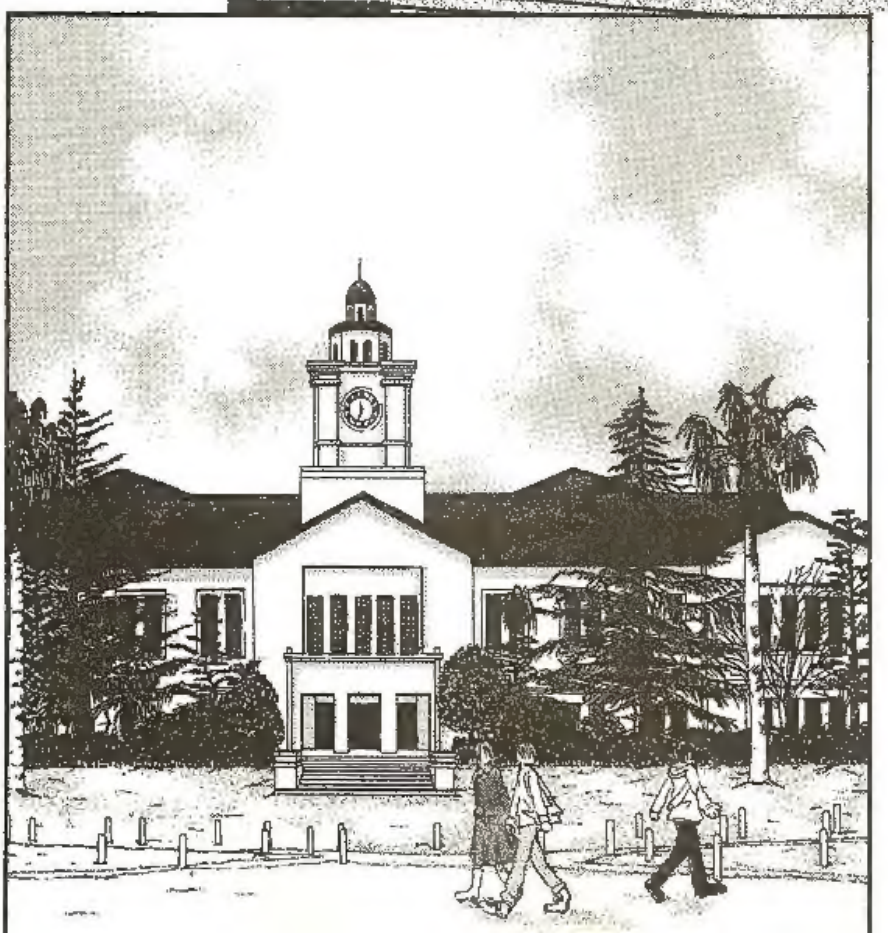
This is the fifth volume for "Venus." Thank you for getting it! Heh-heh-heh. This time out, we've got a never-before-seen "bonus manga"!

All right, let's move on to the...

1/4 Space Contents!!

- Character Who's Who? (9) Even minor characters like these...
- A Day in the Life of Maotaro (39)
- THE RETURN(?) of A Day in the Life of My Mom, Kaoru, Part One
- A Day in the Life of My Mom, Kaoru, Part Two
- The bonus manga and special thanks are at the end!

I'm hoping you'll read them after you finish with the main story.

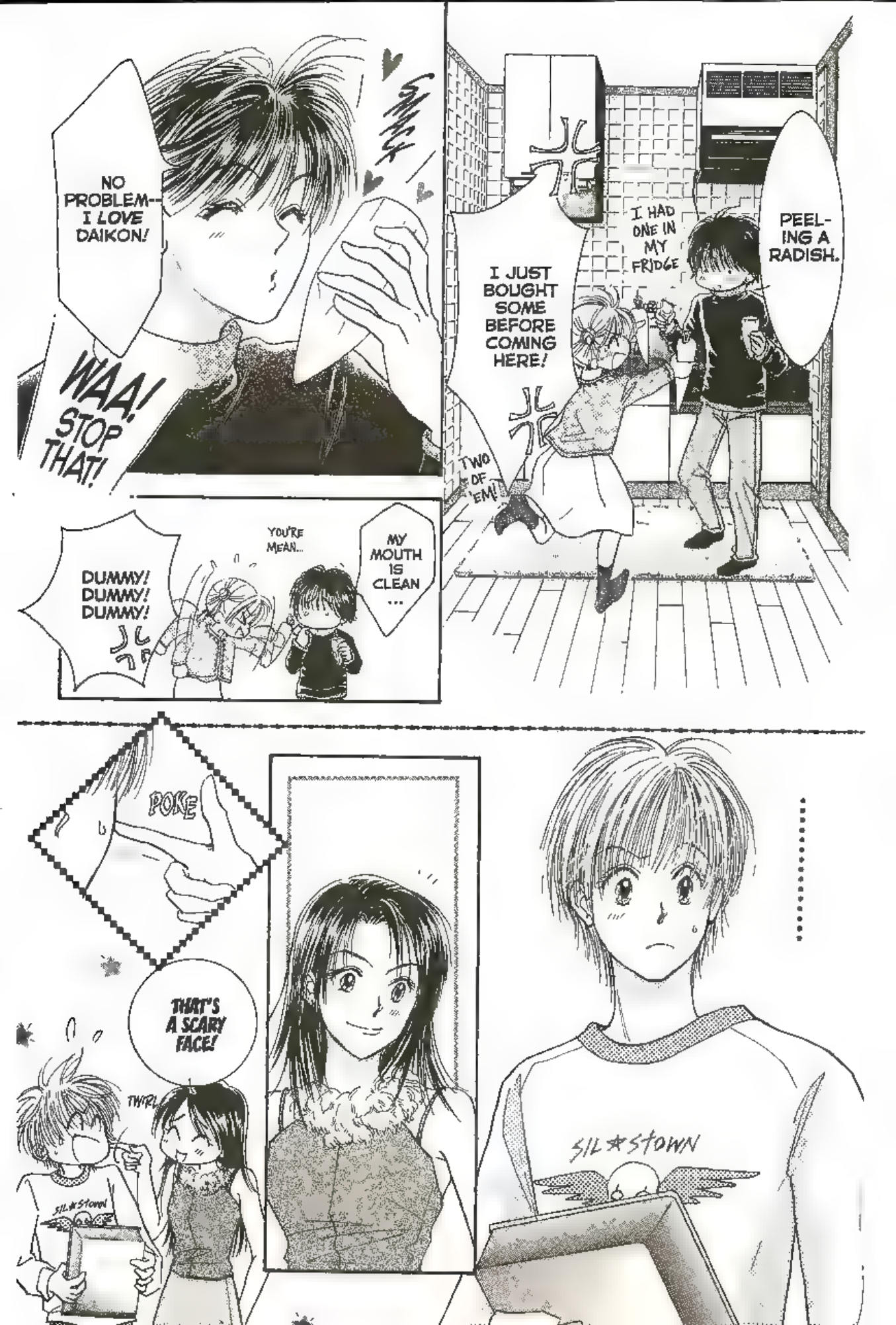


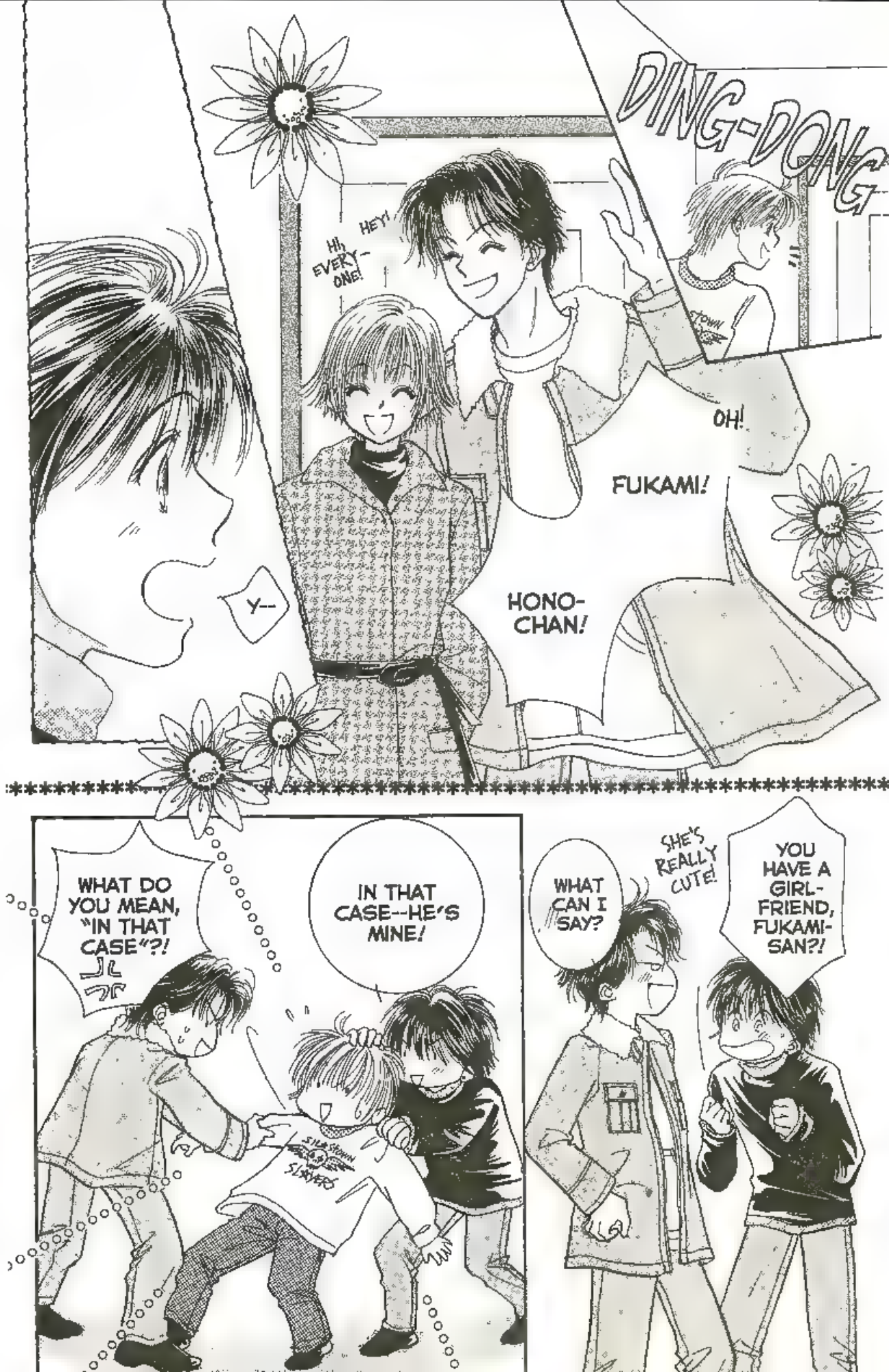
AH!
BRRRRR...
UOZUMI-KUN!
Wind off Mt. Rokko

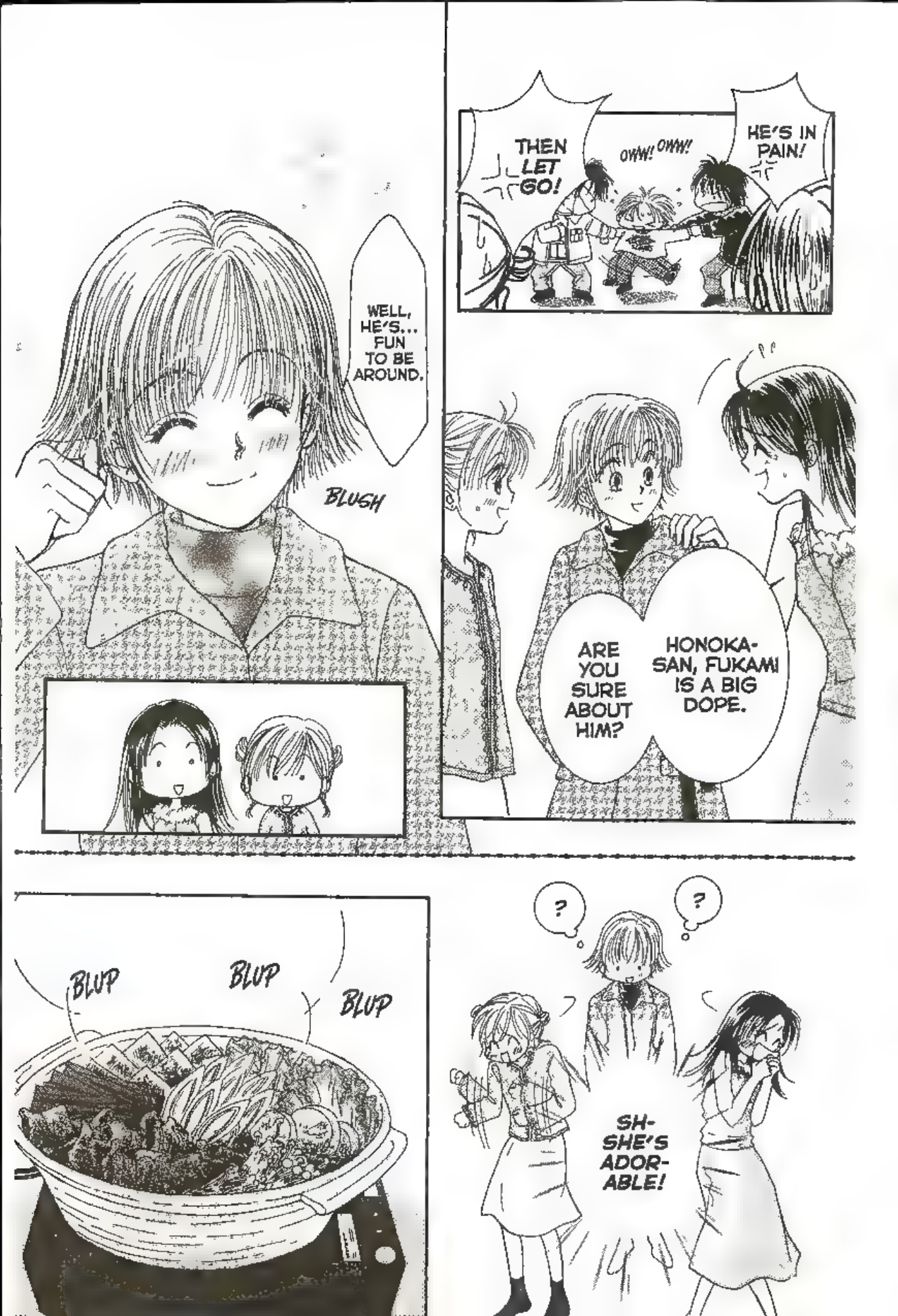
YEAH, AND IT'S MINE!
THIS FEELS SO WARM...
WRAP
WRAP
HEH-HEH!

FWOOO
YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN!
IT'S SO COLD!
PUSHOVER b
IS THAT RIGHT?
NICE AND COMFY!
TOASTY
TOASTY
HOT POT PARTY!
YAY! HOT POT! LET'S MAKE IT KIMCHI STYLE!
IT'S THE SEASON FOR IT!

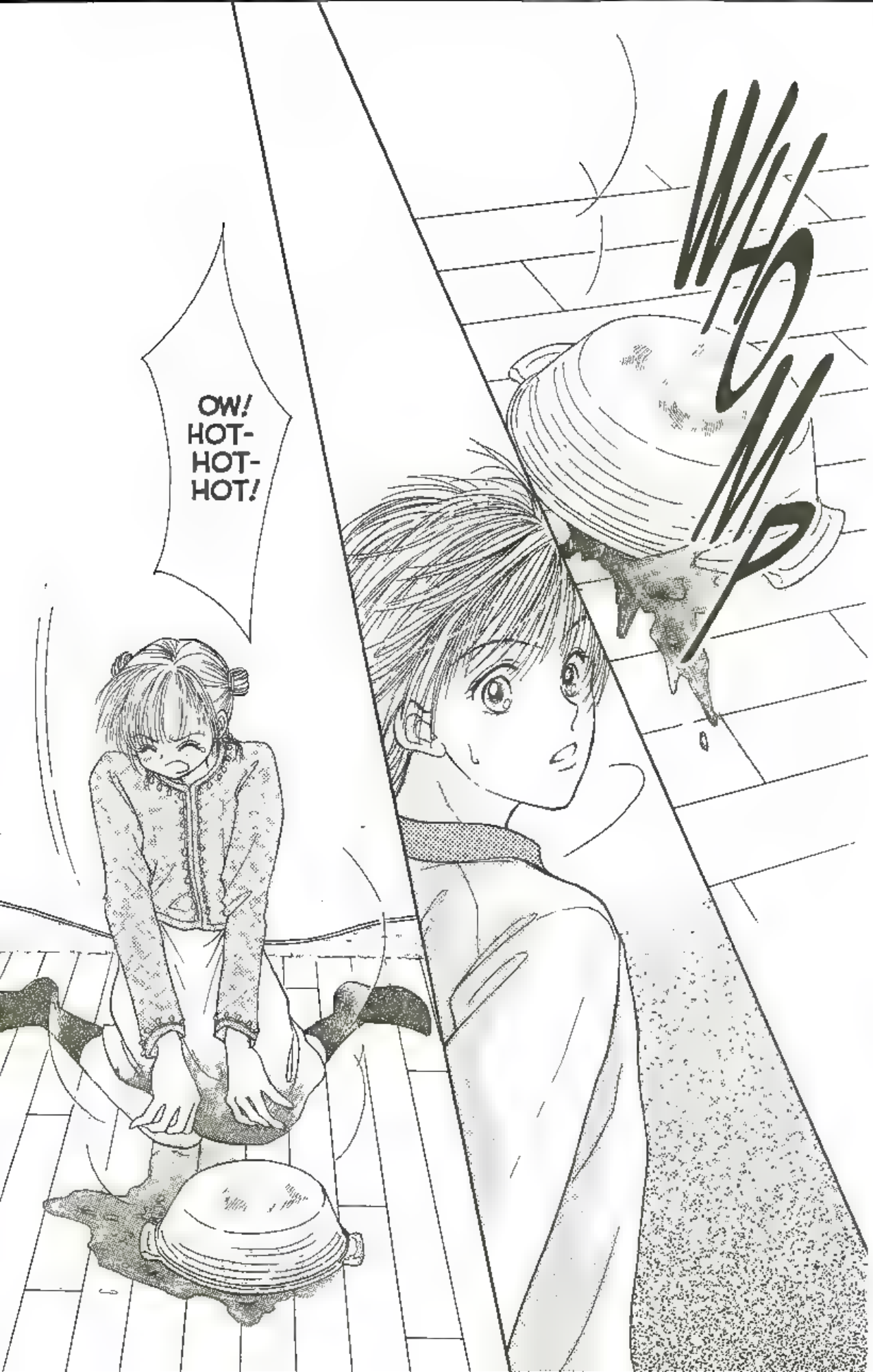
SEE YOU LATER!
I'LL INVITE HINA-KO!
GREAT!
MY PLACE AT SIX!
DING-DONG
IT'S OPEN!
WE'RE HERE!
SWIP SWIP
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

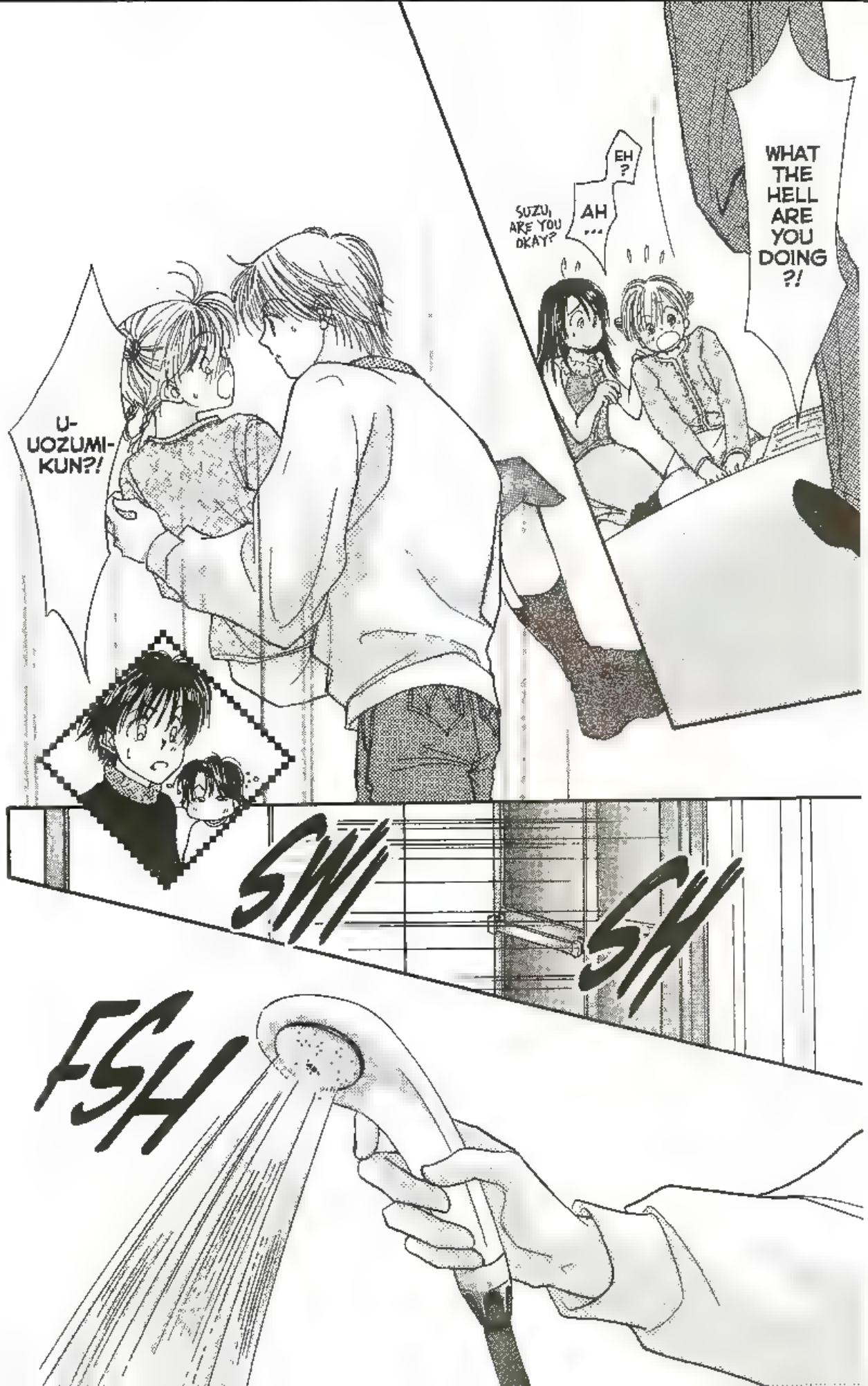

NO PROBLEM-- I LOVE DAIKON!
SMILE
WAA! STOP THAT!
PEEL-ING A RADISH.
I HAD ONE IN MY FRIDGE
I JUST BOUGHT SOME BEFORE COMING HERE!
TWO OF 'EM!
MY MOUTH IS CLEAN ...
YOU'RE MEAN...
DUMMY! DUMMY! DUMMY!
POKE
THAT'S A SCARY FACE!
THIRL
SIL★STOWN
SIL★STOWN


DING-DONG
HEY!
HI, EVERY-ONE!
OH!
FUKAMI!
HONO-CHAN!
Y--
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "IN THAT CASE"?!
IN THAT CASE--HE'S MINE!
WHAT CAN I SAY?
SHE'S REALLY CUTE!
YOU HAVE A GIRL-FRIEND, FUKAMI-SAN?!


THEN LET GO!
OWW! OWW!
HE'S IN PAIN!
WELL, HE'S... FUN TO BE AROUND.
BLUSH
ARE YOU SURE ABOUT HIM?
HONOKA-SAN, FUKAMI IS A BIG DOPE.
BLUP
BLUP
BLUP
?
?
SH-SHE'S ADOR-ABLE!

MMMM!
GOBBLE GOBBLE
SPICY!
MEAT!
CHUCKLE CHUCKLE
GOBBLE GOBBLE
GRIN
TICKLE, TICKLE!
SUZU!
BRING THE POT OVER!
OKAY! ♫
WHA—!
SNNG


WHOMP
OW! HOT- HOT- HOT!


WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING ?!
EH ?
AH ...
SUZU, ARE YOU OKAY?
U- UOZUMI- KUN?!
SWI
SH
FSH

TH-
THANK YOU!
LUCKILY, IT HAD COOLED DOWN A LOT...
SNIFF
UH...
MEANIE!
PAR FOR THE COURSE WITH YOU.

...HE SCOLDS ME AGAIN.
JUST WHEN I THINK HE'S HAPPY...
FSH
FSH
POP
NAUGHTY, NAUGHTY!
POP
WHATCHA DOIN'?
SHUTTING YOURSELVES UP IN THE BATHROOM? NAUGHTY, NAUGHTY! ♥
WAAA!

HEAVY!
TORIOTO
SALE
SALE
GRAND PRIZE--A GETAWAY TO GUAM!
FIRST PRIZE IS A TRIP TO A HOT SPRING!
BUZZ-BUZZ
TORIOTO
WE'VE GOT A WINNER!
DING-DING
FOURTH PRIZE ...
PLUNK
TORIOTO
ONE SPIN, SON.
GUAM...
NOT LIKE I'M GONNA WIN IT, BUT...

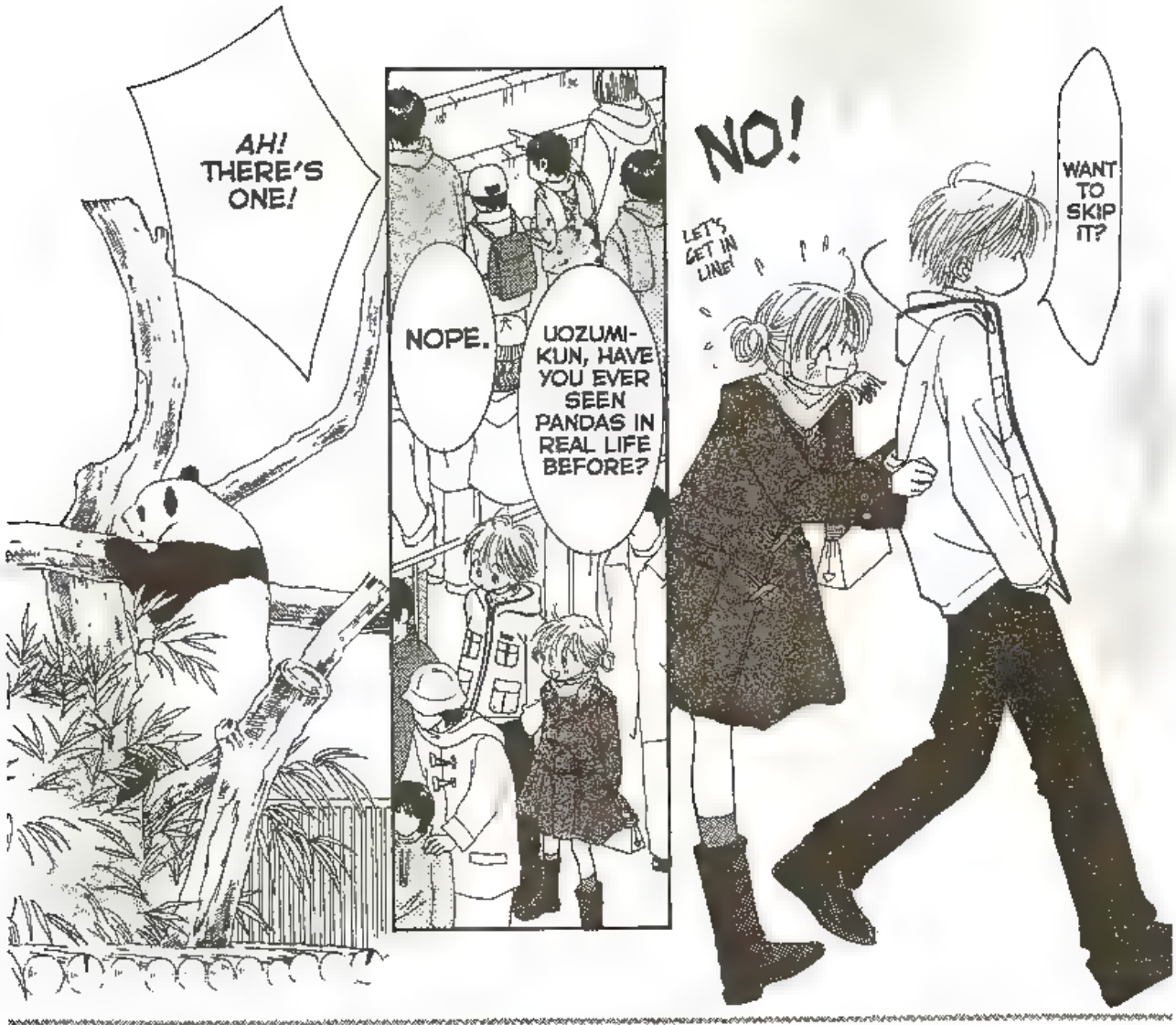
THIS GIFT CER-TIFI-CATE ...
...OR TWO FREE PASSES TO THE OJI ZOO?
WHAT WILL IT BE?
THE GI --
... THE ZOO ...
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATRONAGE!
UOZUMI-KUN!
ARE YOU JUST GETTING HOME?
WAVE WAVE
HAS SHE GOT ME UNDER HER THUMB?
TRUDGE
SQUEEZE
TRUDGE
PANDAS!
.....

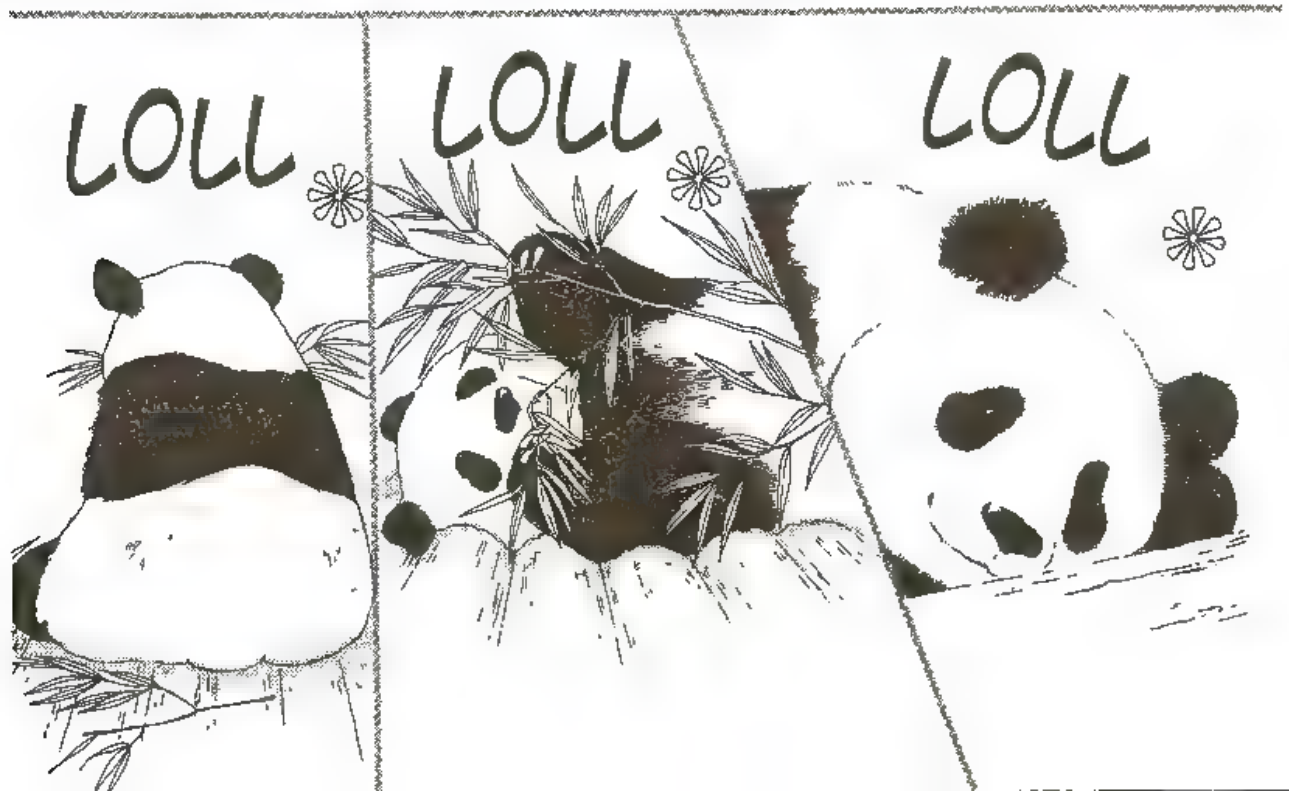
I WANNA GO!
FWISHT
LOOK ...
...WHAT I GOT.
LET'S NOT SHOUT!
LET'S GO! LET'S GO! LET'S GO!

HERE.
TOMOR-ROW MORNING AT 10.
OKAY!
YAY!
KA-CHAK

AHA-HA-HA!
IT'S ALL CRINKLED UP...
ZOO
PANDA EXHIBITION!

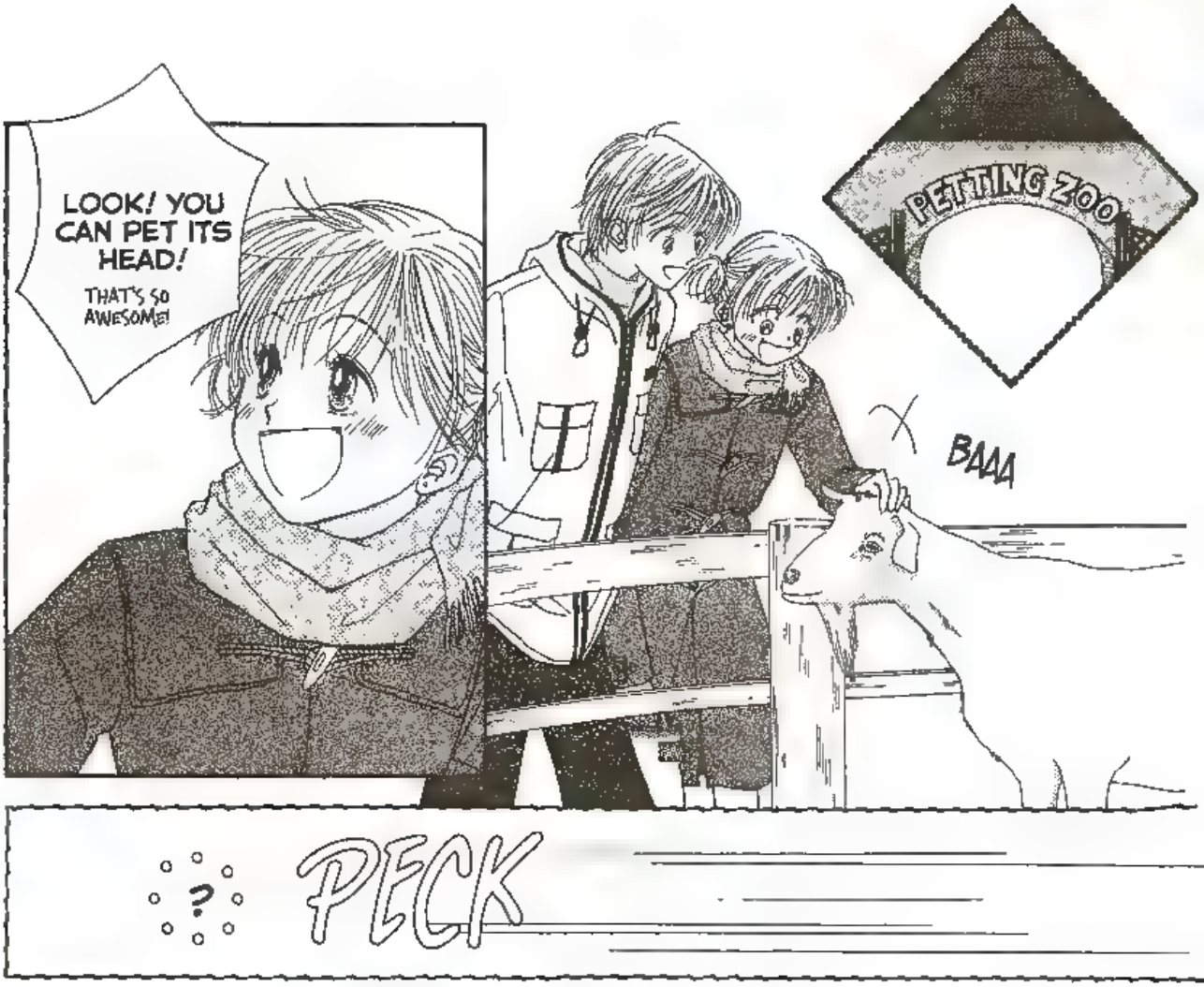
KOBE ZOO
KYAA-!
KYAA-!
Panda House
THE PANDAS! THE PANDAS!
TH-THERE'S NO NEED TO RUSH!
UWAAA!
LOOK AT ALL THE PEOPLE...
LINED UP
PANDA HOUSE

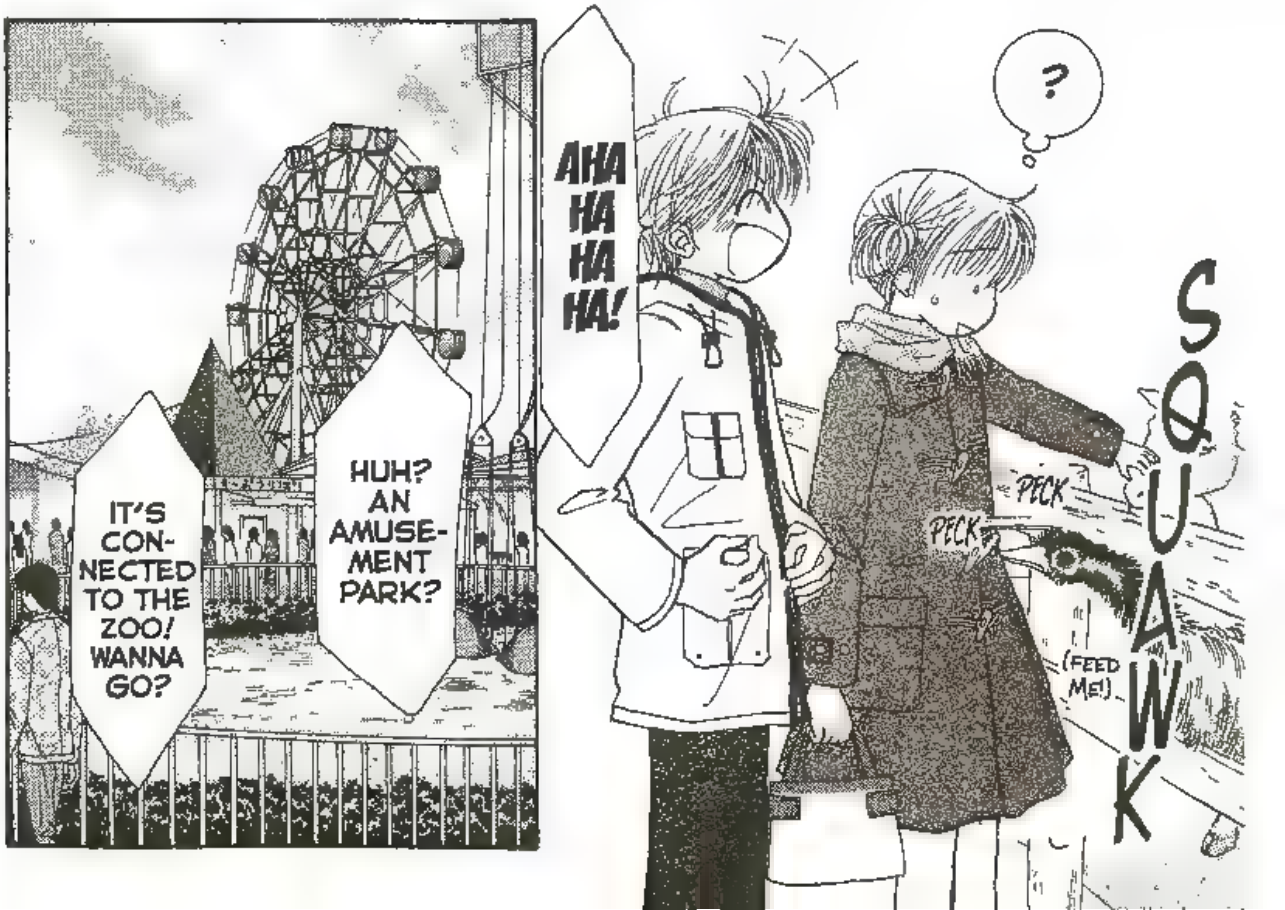

AH! THERE'S ONE!
NOPE.
UOZUMI-KUN, HAVE YOU EVER SEEN PANDAS IN REAL LIFE BEFORE?
NO!
LET'S GET IN LINE!
WANT TO SKIP IT?

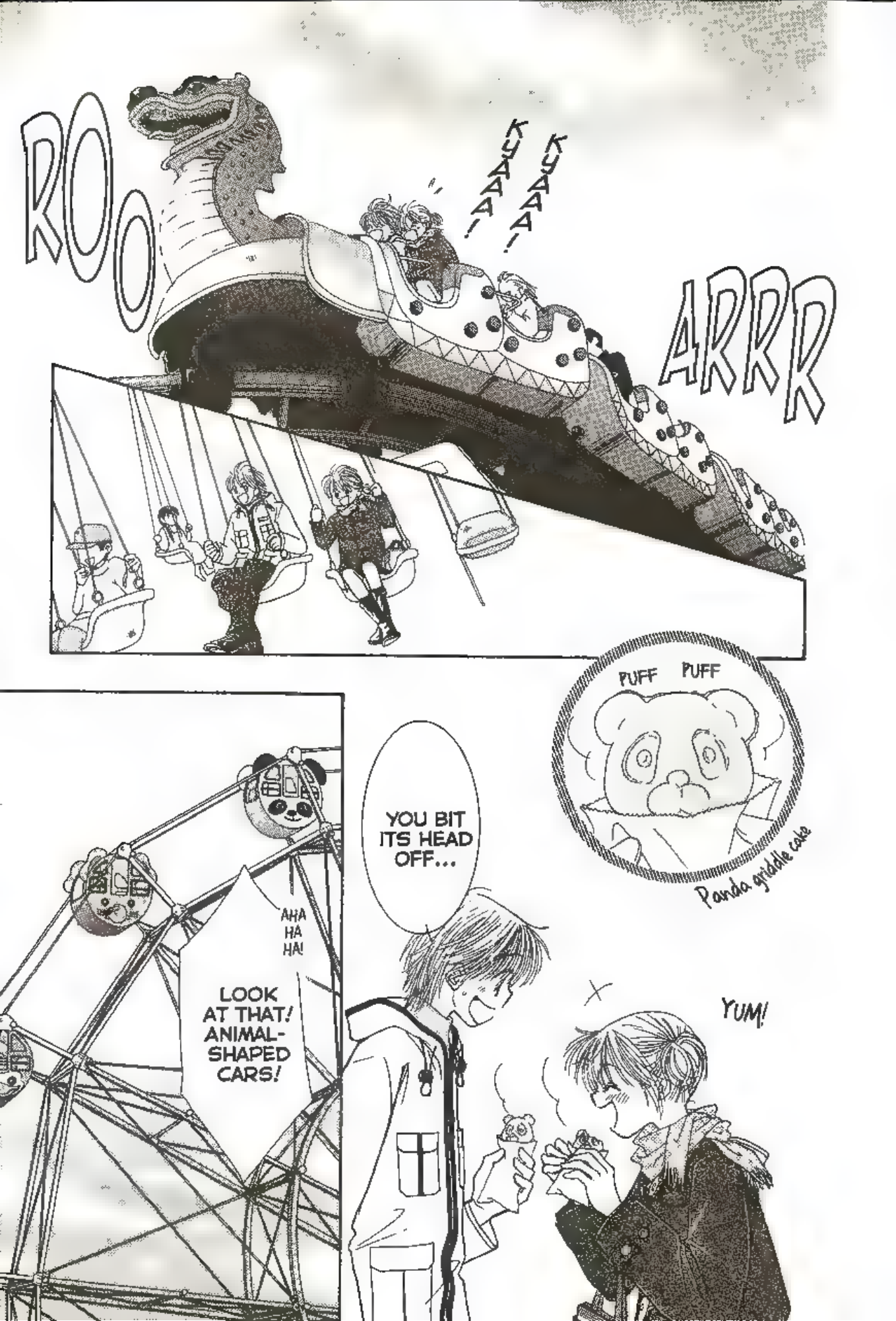

LOLL
LOLL
LOLL

QUIVER
QUIVER
QUIVER
ELEPHANT
PANDAS!
AHA HA HA!
OSTRICH
KIND OF SMELLS, THOUGH...
IT'S NICE TO GO TO THE ZOO ONCE IN A WHILE. YOU KNOW?
LESSER PANDA
ZEBRA

TAP
TAP
QUIVER
COME HERE...
TAP
TAP
WIGGLE
A FENNEC!
KYAAA!
TOO CUTE FOR WORDS!
WIGGLE
AHA HA HA
HUMAN
LAUGHTER→
KA KA KA KA KA
Feel free to take photos.
The 'cage' can be entered from behind.


LOOK! YOU CAN PET ITS HEAD!
THAT'S SO AWESOME!
PETTING ZOO
BAAA
?
PECK


IT'S CONNECTED TO THE ZOO! WANNA GO?
HUH? AN AMUSEMENT PARK?
AHA HA HA HA!
?
PECK
PECK
(FEED ME!)
SQUAWK


ROO
KYAAA!
KYAAA!
ARRR
PUFF PUFF
Panda griddle cake
AHA HA HA!
LOOK AT THAT! ANIMAL-SHAPED CARS!
YOU BIT ITS HEAD OFF...
YUM!

LET'S GO ON IT!
YEAH!
SUCH A BEAU-TIFUL VIEW...

I THINK I WAS FIVE.
THE LAST TIME I WENT ON ONE OF THESE, I WAS A LITTLE KID.
IT WAS MY BROTHER, MY SISTER, AND ME.
SHIZU-CHAN, WILL YOU BE ALL RIGHT WITH YOUR BROTHERS?
OF COURSE! I'M THE BIG SISTER!
LOOK OUTSIDE, EICHI AND TOMOKI! SEE HOW HIGH UP WE ARE?!
FIDGET
FIDGET
FIDGET

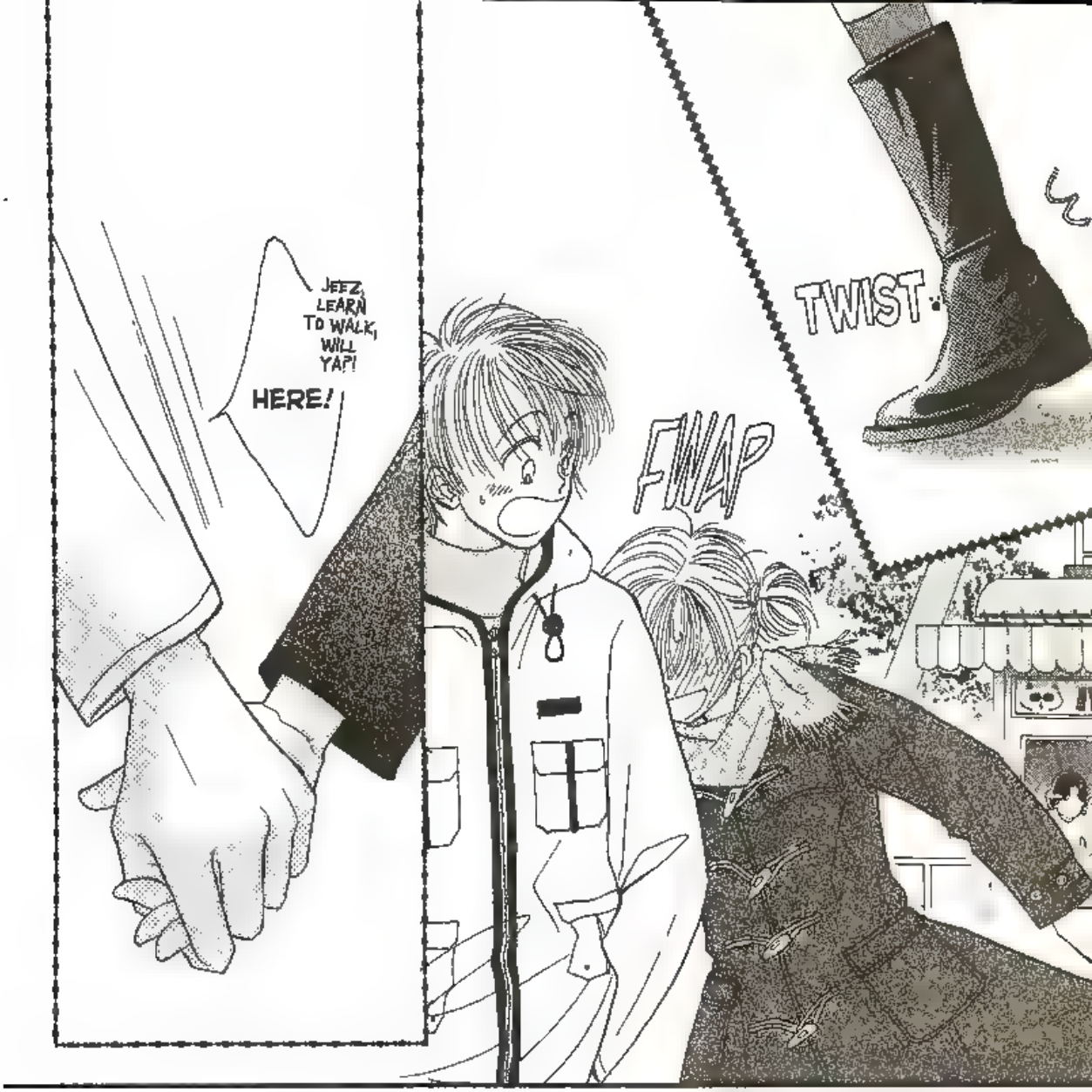
PEE-PEE!
I HAVE TO PEE!
WAAH WAAH WAAH
I HAVE TO PEE!
PEE!
PEE-PEE!
QUIVER QUIVER
EH?
PEE!
UH...
Y-YOU HAVE TO HOLD IT!
PEE-PEE!
DUMB KID STUFF, RIGHT?
SNICKER
SO ALL THREE OF US WERE UP THERE BAWLING OUR HEADS OFF!

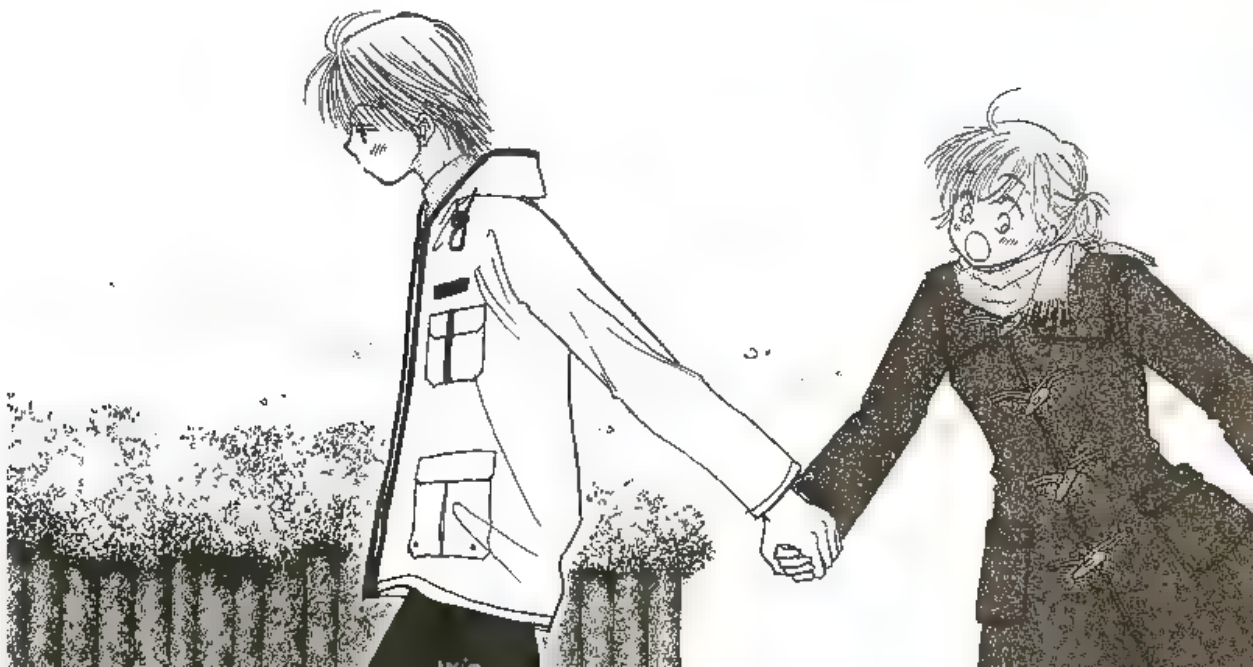
BATTLE
SOULLESS
WH-WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
I-I THOUGHT MAYBE YOU WERE MISSING HER...
SHIZU-CHAN ISN'T HERE ANY MORE...

Y--
AH!
YOU GAVE ME A KISS ?!
YEAH, WELL ...
... WE'VE DONE IT BEFORE, HAVEN'T WE?

YOU REMEMBER THAT?!
H--
HOW COULD I FORGE--
BONK

KA-CHANG
WHEEL
300 per person
AHAHAHA
STING STING
I'M SUCH A DORK!
TAK
TAK
TAK


JEEZ, LEARN TO WALK, WILL YA?!
HERE!
FWAP
TWIST



HEH—
HEH
JEEZ! IT'S LIKE I'M LEADING A CHILD AROUND!
GONG

I FEEL YOU...

...AND I'M HAPPY.

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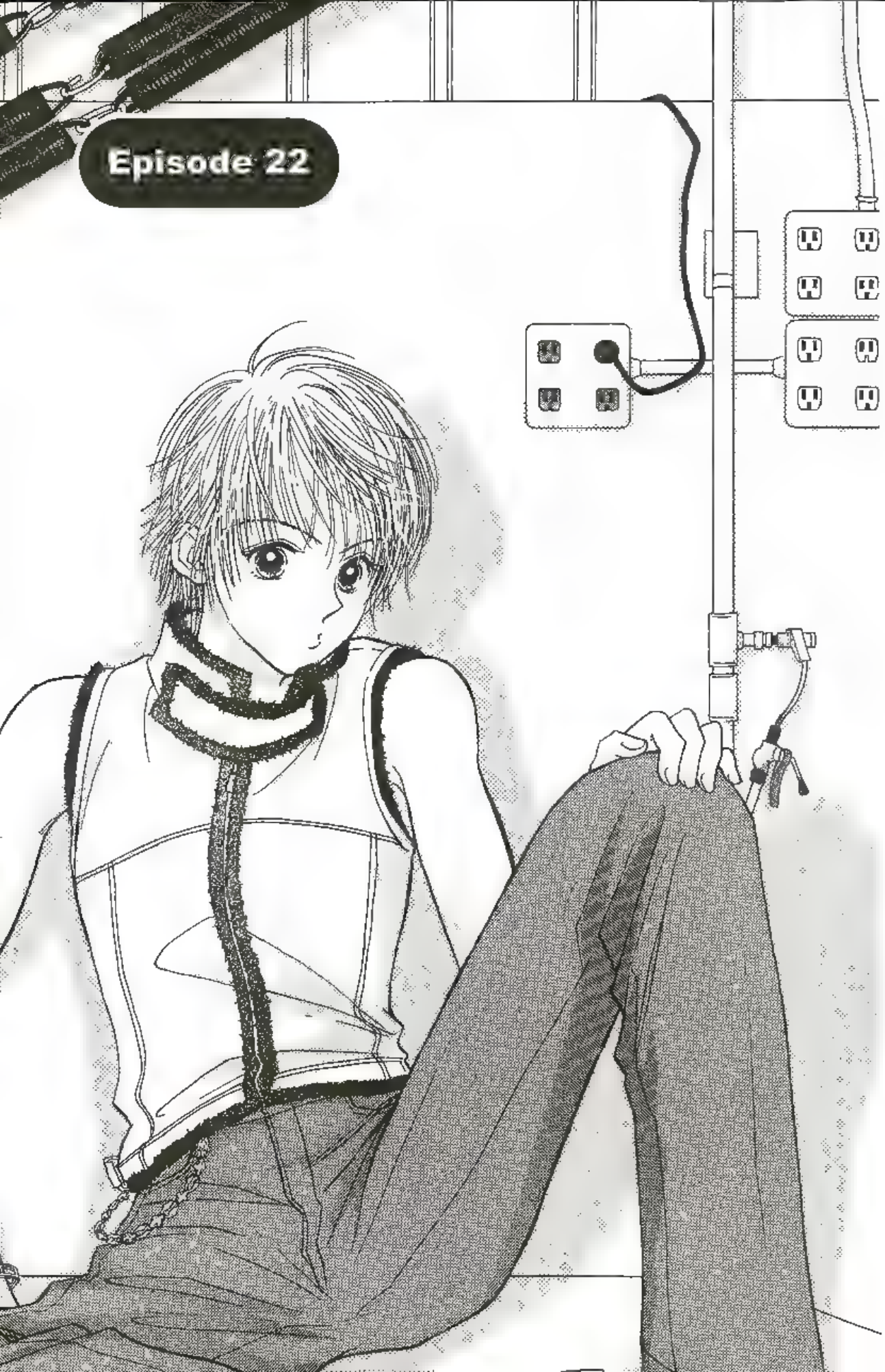
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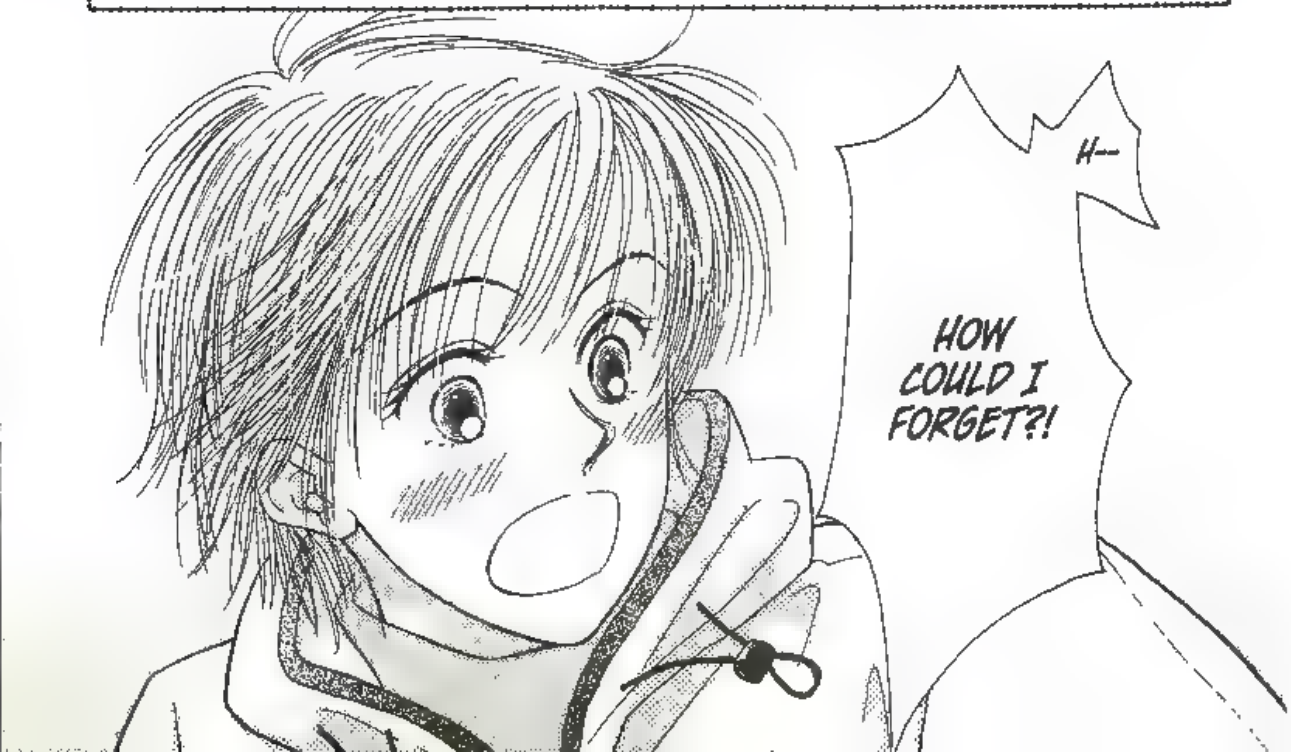
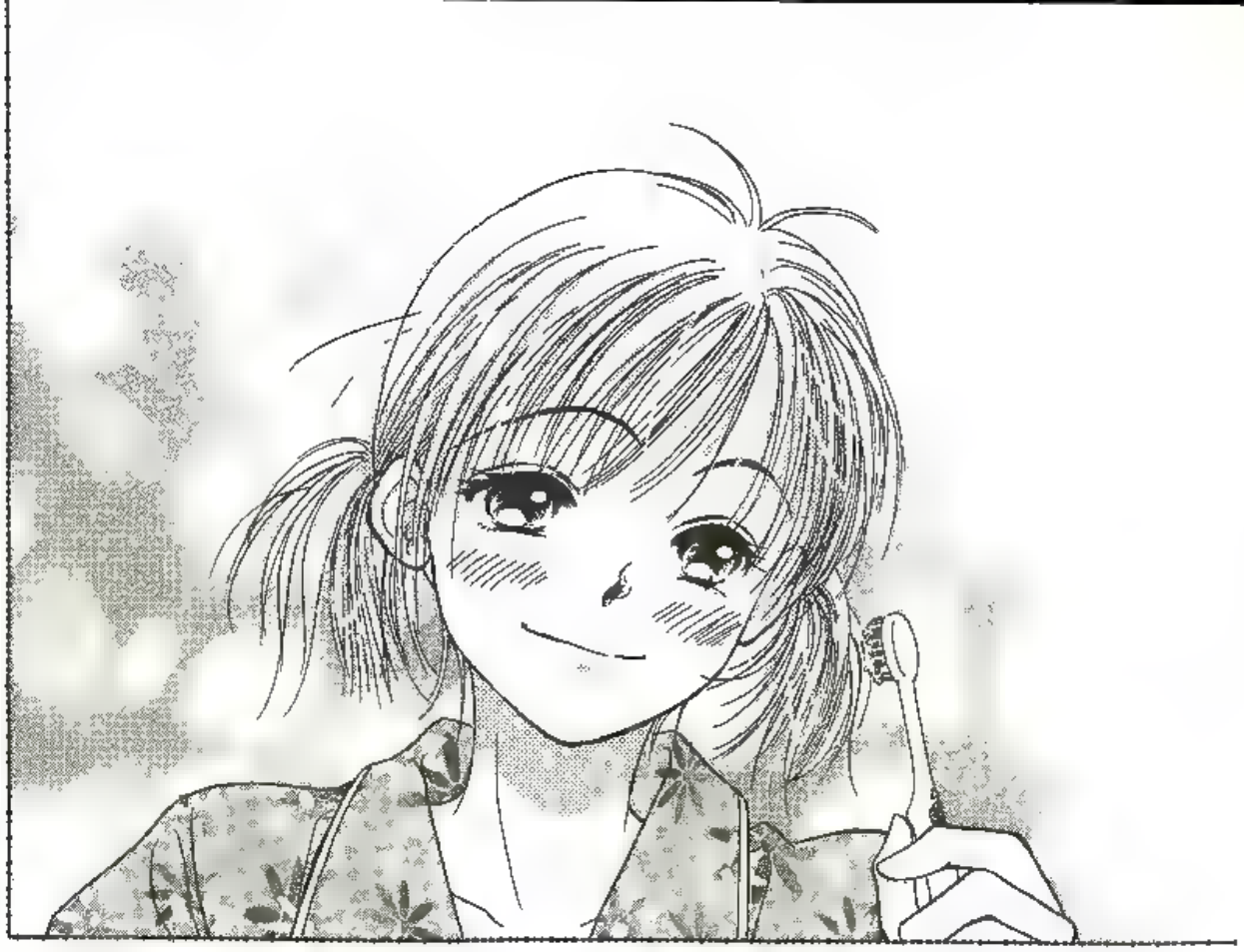
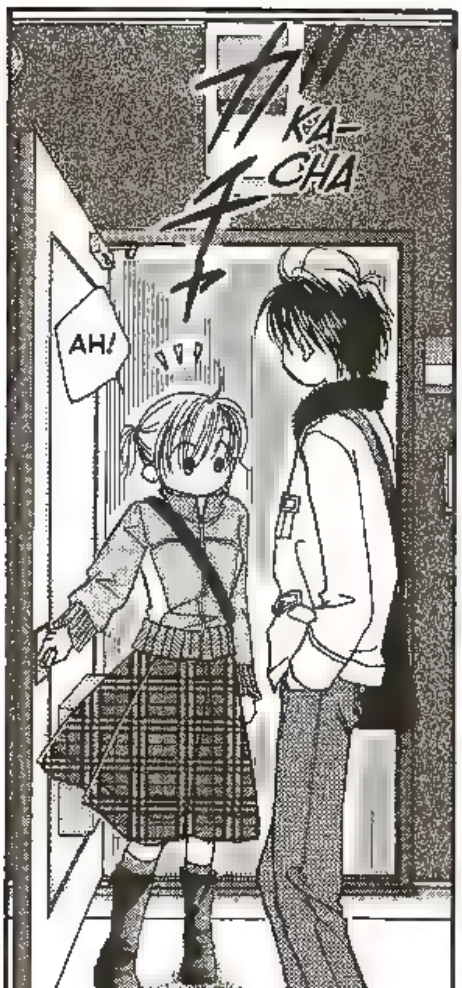
OUR SECOND KISS...
...LASTED JUST AN INSTANT.

"YOU REMEMBER THAT?"







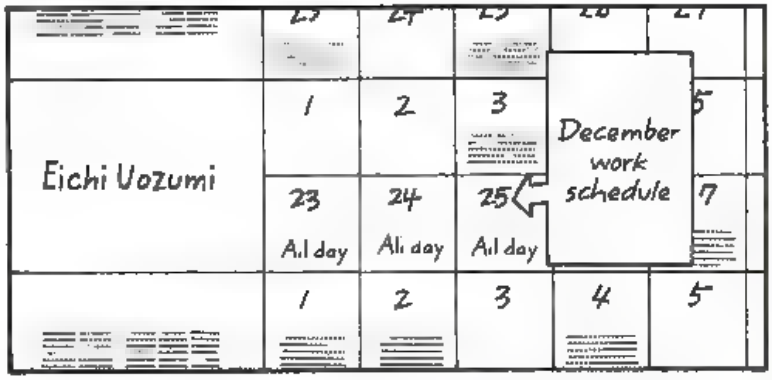
WHY...

...AM I SO HAPPY?

HOW'S, UH...
DO YOU HAVE FIRST PERIOD, TOO?
YOU'RE UP EARLY.
KA-CHAK
HAH?!
HEY.
GULP
HOW'RE YOUR LEGS ...?
KYAAA!
FLIP
OH, THEY'RE TOTALLY HEALED ...

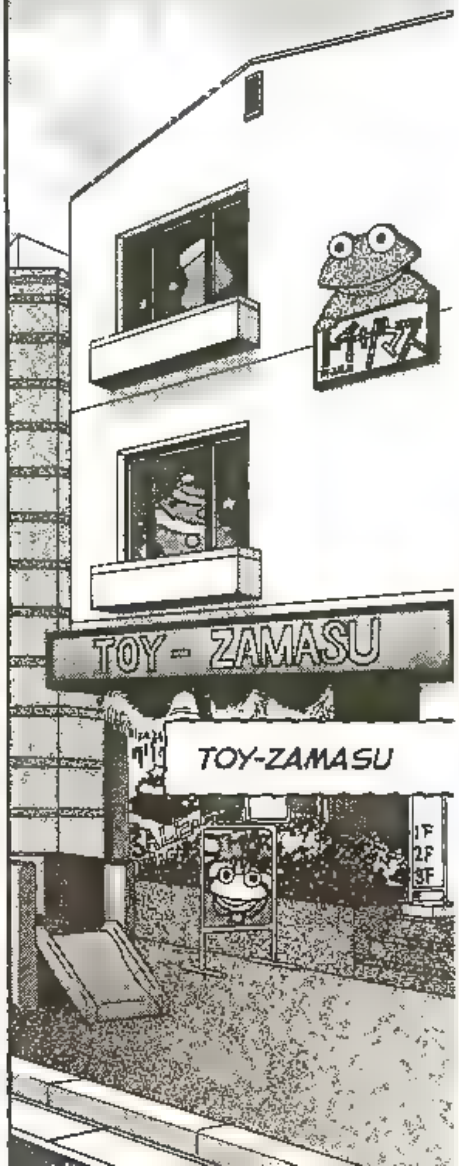
PERVERT!
AND IT'S FREEZING OUTSIDE!
YOU DON'T WEAR WOOLEN UNDERPANTS WITH A LONG SKIRT!
WHAT ARE YOU, AN OLD WOMAN?!
DIRTY-MINDED YUKI!
THAT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS!
OLD HAG!
TWITCH
THAT IS BEYOND STUPID...
...FOR THIS EARLY IN THE MORNING!

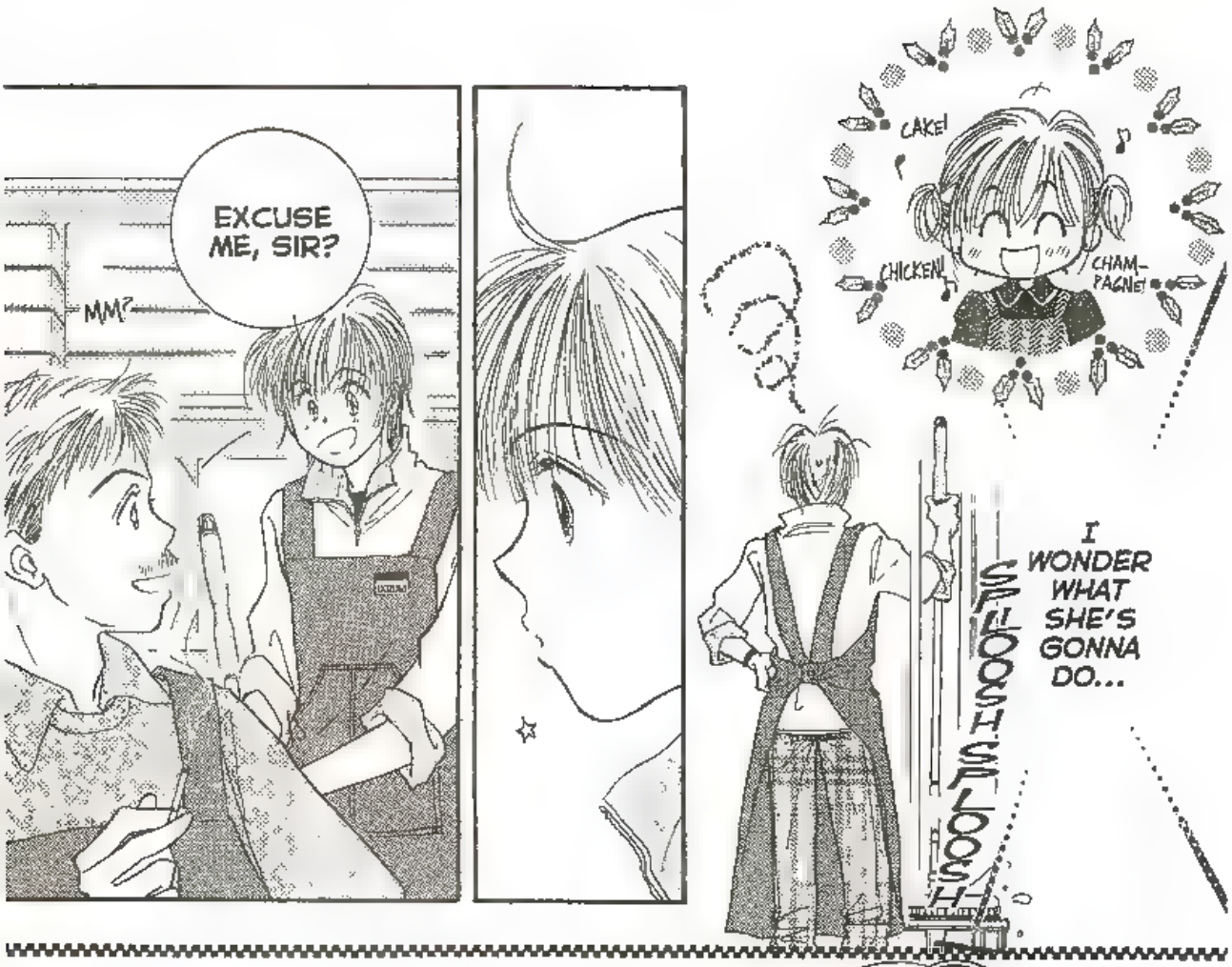
KRAK
IT'S NO DIFFERENT THAN USUAL!
IT'S YOUR FAULT!
HE'S SICK OF SEEING US FIGHT!
FWAP FWAP
WAH
HOZUMI-KUN!
AAA!
TA TA TA TA
I'M GONNA KILL HIM!
HUH? WHAT'S THAT FOR, EICHI?

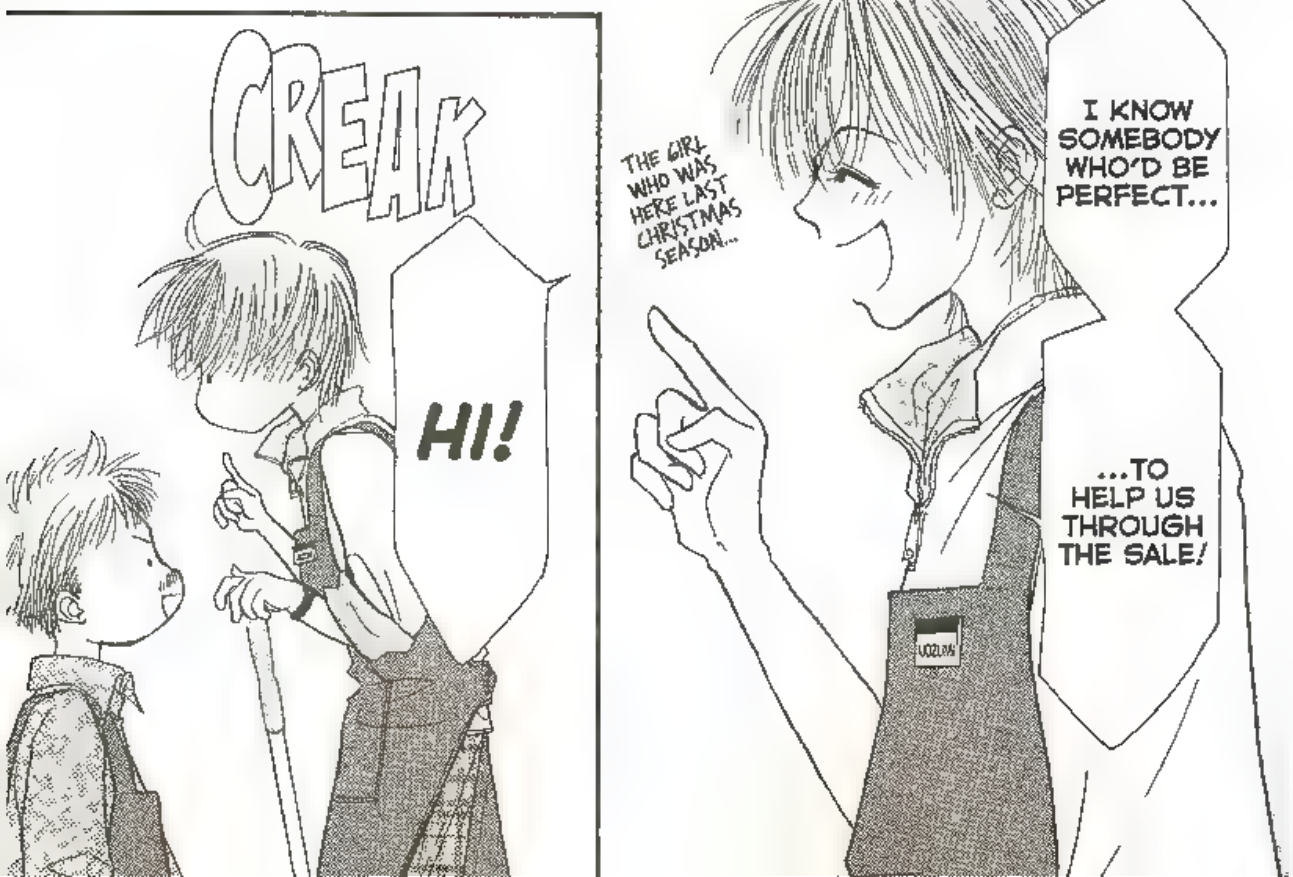


CHRISTMAS IS COMING SOON.

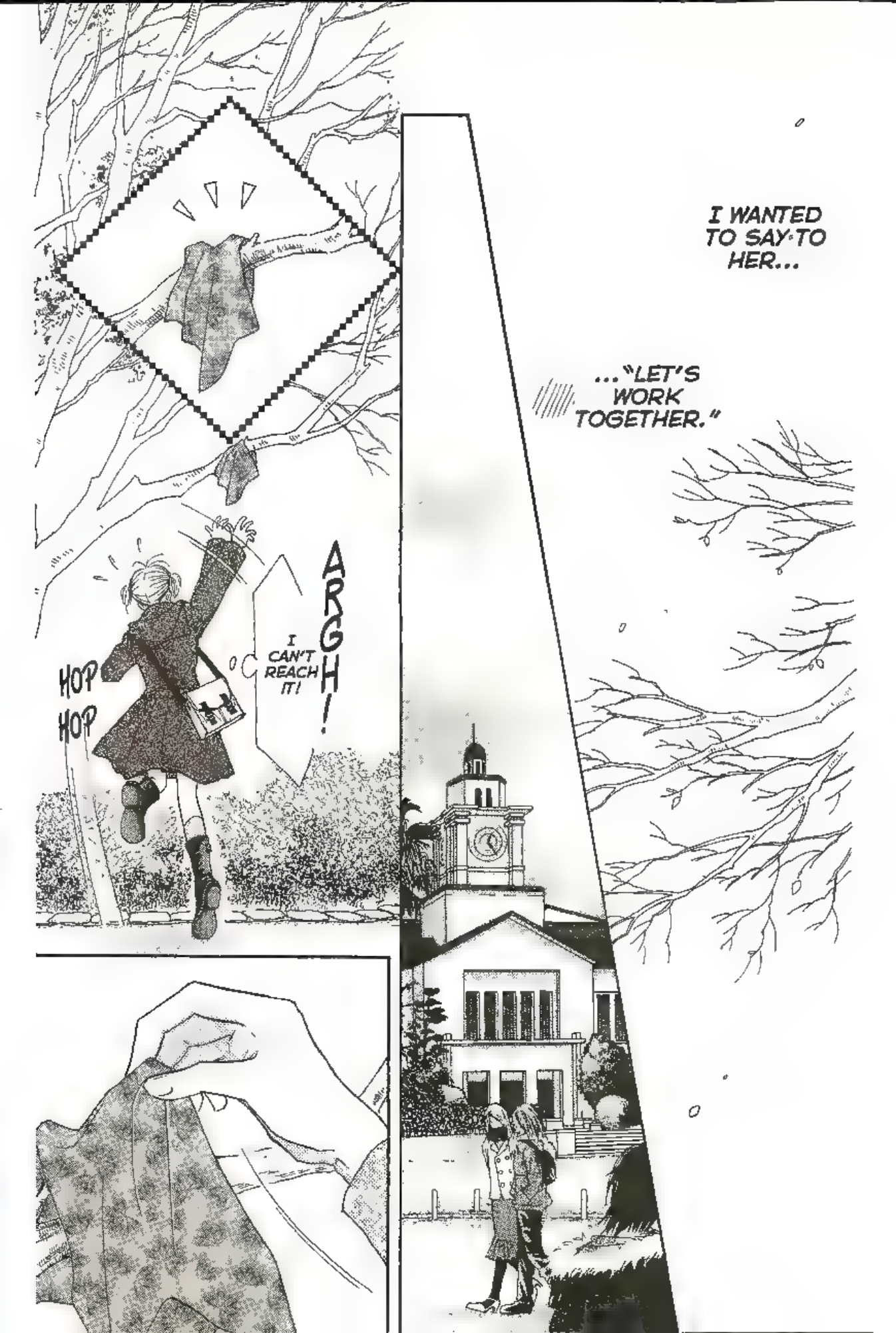
...FOR ALL OF IT.
THE CHRIST-MAS SALE... I'LL HAVE TO WORK MY TAIL OFF...
UOZUMI
I'M COUNTING ON YOU!
UH- OKAY
BOSS
I'M SUCH AN EASY MARK, AREN'T I?
UOZUMI-KUN, I NEED A HAND OVER HERE!
STAGGER




EXCUSE ME, SIR?
MM?
CAKE!
CHICKEN!
CHAM-PAGNE!
I WONDER WHAT SHE'S GONNA DO...
SPLOOSH SPLOOSH


CREAK
HI!
THE GIRL WHO WAS HERE LAST CHRISTMAS SEASON...
I KNOW SOMEBODY WHO'D BE PERFECT...
...TO HELP US THROUGH THE SALE!

I SAW THIS ...
CHRISTMAS
ONE EMP
*¥10,000
...OUT FRONT!
*About $100
ARE YOU A COLLEGE STU-DENT?
I'LL BE HONEST--- IT'S A HARD JOB. THINK YOU CAN HANDLE IT?
YES, SIR!
AH...
OKAY, THEN REPORT TO THE OFFICE ...
WHA--? IKEU-CHI?!
UOZUMI-SAN?
CHRISTMAS SEASON ONE EMPLOYEE
I'M UN-LUCKY ...
LUCKY I GOT THIS...
I WENT OVER BUDGET ON DVDS ...


I WANTED TO SAY TO HER...
..."LET'S WORK TOGETHER."
HOP HOP
I CAN'T REACH IT!
ARGH!

HMM...
IT'S INCONVENIENT TO BE A SHRIMP, ISN'T IT?
WHAT DO YOU SAY...?
MAYBE I'LL BLOW MY NOSE...
THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
DON'T!
HE'S DESPICABLE!
HEE HEE HEE

POOR SHEEP ARE GETTING THE WOOL PULLED OVER THEIR EYES...
DO MORE MODEL-ING!
THANK YOU!
HERE'S YOUR CHRISTMAS PRESENT!
WE'RE YOUR FANS!
YUKI-KUN!

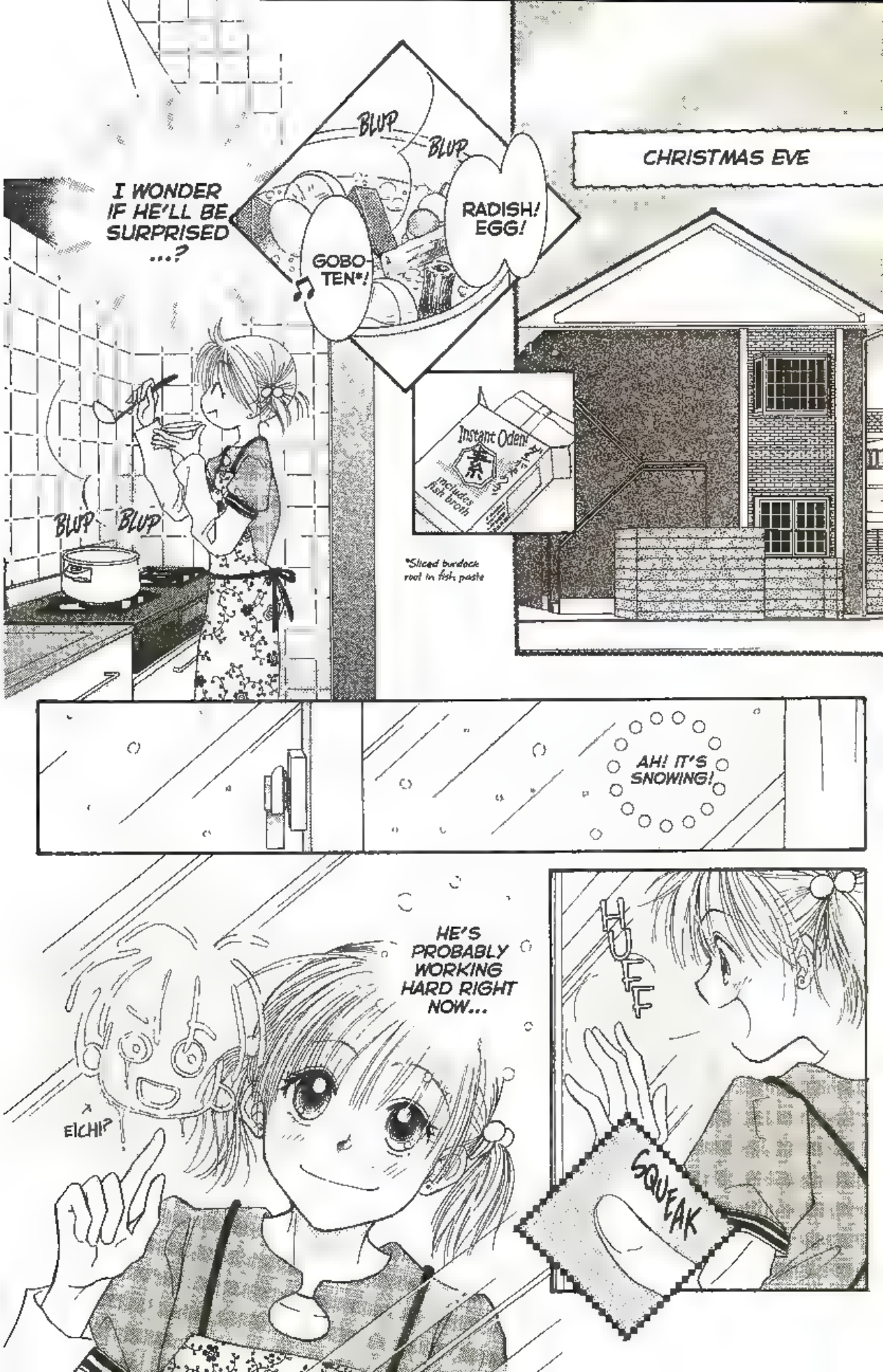
YOUR WHOLE EXISTENCE IS A SIN!
"IT'S A SIN TO BE BEAUTIFUL..."
THERE WAS A SONG THAT WENT LIKE THAT, RIGHT?

MY BAG'S TOTALLY FULL...
HMM ...
HUH?
WHAT?
HE'S KEEPING EVERYTHING THEY GIVE HIM!
NOTH-ING, NOTH-ING...
HEH HEH
THEN KNOCK OFF THAT CREEPY LAUGH!
ON CHRIST-MAS ...
WHISPER
EH?
WHAT?

TH-THAT'S NOT FAIR!! THAT'S TOTALLY NOT FAIR!
...I'M WORKING A PART-TIME JOB WITH UOZUMI-SAN.
JUST A THREE-DAY GIG AT THIS TOY STORE.
UH...

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
WHY'D IT HAVE TO BE YOU?!
BUT... BUT...
SO BE IT... ROMANCE HAS DESERTED ME!
THERE ARE CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES BETWEEN ME AND OOZUMI-KUN...
STAGGER
HEY!
WE WORKED TOGETHER LAST CHRISTMAS...
DECEMBER 23RD
IN FRONT OF...
TOY-ZAMASU
...TOY-ZAMASU.
限定販売
Zakka
Zakka
TWOOSH!

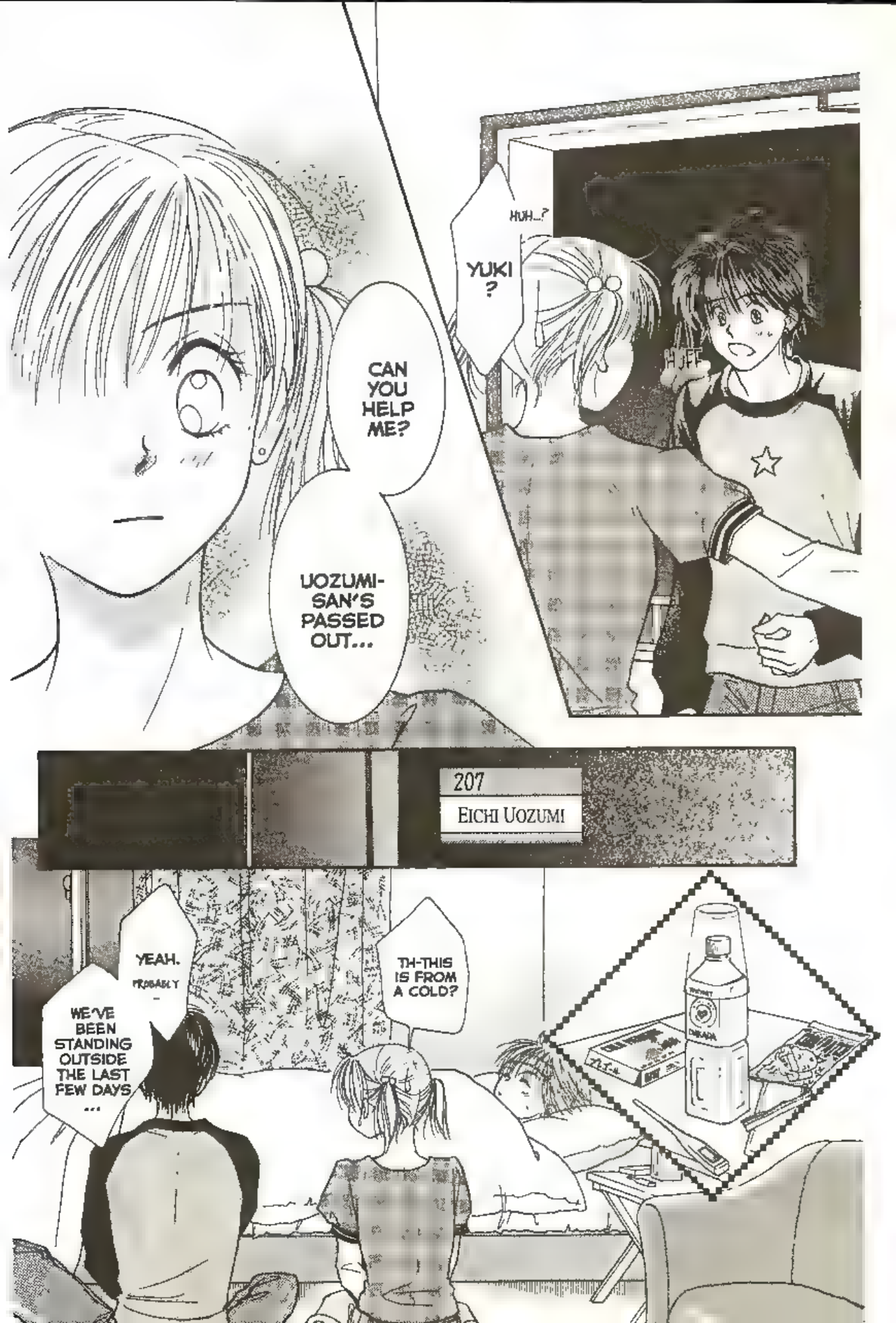
THANK YOU!
ONLY 3,980 YEN!
HOW CAN HE BE SO DURABLE ...?
HE'S SO THIN.
DON'T COM-PLAIN.
JUST SMILE!
SO FOR THE NEXT THREE DAYS, WE'RE GONNA BE EXPOSED TO THIS WIND...?
HEH! SURE IS COLD!
LIMITED EDITION CHRISTMAS VERSION
WHY SUCH A DIFFER-ENCE?
I'LL TAKE ONE.
ME, TOO!
OH HH HH
MY DAUGH-TER WILL LOVE IT!
I'LL TAKE ONE, TOO!
BUT I WANT A MIKA-CHAN DOLL...
KYAA
KYAA
ME, TOO!


CHRISTMAS EVE
I WONDER IF HE'LL BE SURPRISED ...?
BLUP BLUP
BLUP BLUP
GOBO-TEN*!
RADISH! EGG!
Instant Oden!
includes fish broth
*Sliced burdock root in fish paste
AH! IT'S SNOWING!
HE'S PROBABLY WORKING HARD RIGHT NOW...
EICHI?
HUFF
SQUEAK

FINE!
UOZUMI-SAN, ARE YOU OKAY?
ACHOO
HIS FACE IS KINDA RED...
TOY- ZAMASU
HEH...
WONDER WHAT SHE'S DOING RIGHT NOW?
HUFF
HERE YOU GO
A TOY-ZAMASU EXCLU-SIVE!
"A-KARA" LIMITED CRYSTAL EDITION!

GOOD JOB, EVERYONE!
HEY!
UOZUMI-SAN, LET'S GO HO--
MY SHOULDERS ACHE FROM COLD!
KA-CHA
HE'S BURNING UP!
IT'S JUS' A COLD.
GRIN
WHAT'S WRONG?!
OPEN YOUR EYES!
U-UOZUMI-SAN?!
QUIT SHAKIN' ME!
SHAKE SHAKE

I'LL CALL A TAXI!
SWISH
RUSTLE
WRAPPED
DING-DONG DING-DONG DING-DONG
SLAAAM
ONCE IS ENOUGH!


CAN YOU HELP ME?
UOZUMI-SAN'S PASSED OUT...
HUH...?
YUKI ?
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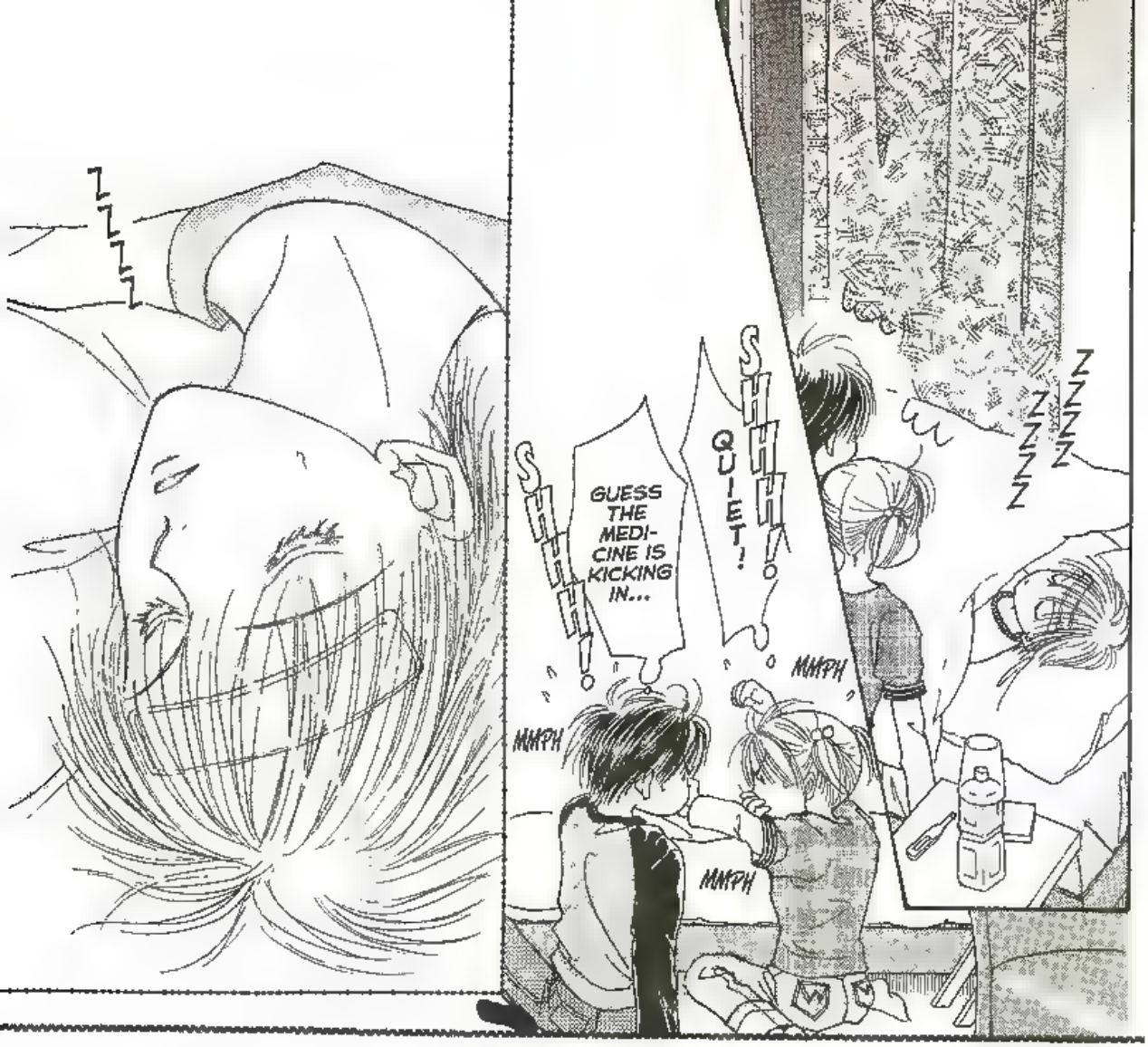
EICHI UOZUMI
YEAH. PROBABLY
WE'VE BEEN STANDING OUTSIDE THE LAST FEW DAYS ...
TH-THIS IS FROM A COLD?

MM...
UOZUMI
-KUN!
-SAN!
SWISH
SWISH
EH?
AH!
WHERE AM I?
RIAR
LIE DOWN! LIE DOWN!
YOU'RE SICK...
YOU OKAY?
I'LL BE FINE...
SHOULD WE TAKE YOU TO A CLINIC?
ONE THAT'S OPEN AT NIGHT...
WHAT THE HELL AM I DOING ...?

I'M SUCH A DORK ...
I...
S-SO CUTE...
BLUSH
GASP
YOU SHOULD TALK!
WH- WHAT'RE YOU EMBAR- RASSED ABOUT?!


ZZZZZ
ZZZZZ
ZZZZZ
SHHH!
GUESS THE MEDI-CINE IS KICKING IN...
SHHH!
QUIET!
MMPH
MMPH
MMPH

CUT IT OUT! YOU'LL WAKE HIM!
RUB RUB
FRET
FRET
IS THERE ANYTHING I CAN DO FOR HIM?
HE DOESN'T LOOK GOOD...

ZZZ
ZZZ
YUKI-KUN, I THINK...
...IT'S PRETTY OBVIOUS TO YOU, BUT UOZUMI-KUN...
?
...HE MEANS A LOT TO ME ...
A LOT.
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE FELT LIKE THIS...
...FOR ANY-BODY.
.....

I THINK YOU'RE A DOPE!
ZZZ-ZZZ
I...
ZZZ
ZZZ ZZZ
!!!
SLUMP

III
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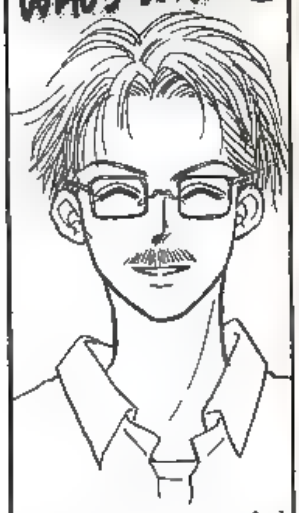
WHAT IS WRONG WITH ME?
WHAT THE--?!
THUMP
THUMP

Character Who's Who? ⑨

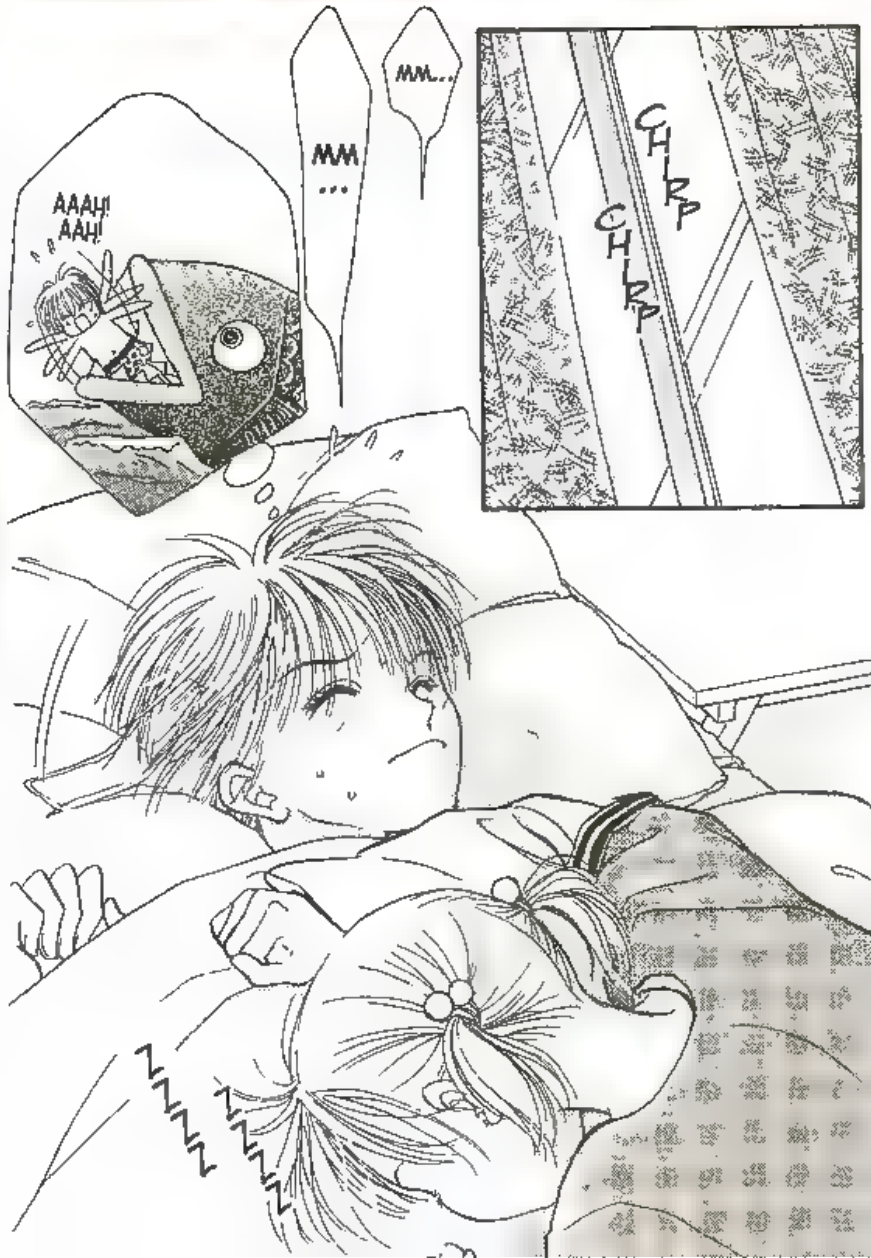


Takanori Momokawa (51)

Professor of history
at Kato University
Nickname: Momo-chan
Loves archaeology
Has a family

Aki Uozumi (43)

Eichi's mom
Has two sons who
probably take after her
Huge fan of
Harrison Ford
(Yes, she got Eichi
into Indiana Jones!)



...I'M BEING CRUSHED!
ACK!
BLINK
HUFF
HUFF
MIND THE DROOL...
WIPE
WIPE
DAZE
HERE TOO.
FWAP
UH-HUH ...
YOUR FEVER!
IT'S GONE WAY DOWN!
I...
I'VE GOTTA GET TO WORK ...
NO WAY!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "NO WAY" ...?
I'LL WORK FOR YOU TODAY.
NO. I CAN ...
KOFF KOFF KOFF
THAT SETTLES IT!
SEE YOU LATER!

HEH~ HEH
THANKS!
RIAR
KA-CHA
JUMP
THEY SAID "SEE YOU LATER" IN SYNC...
RIAR

I'M AN IDIOT... WHAT PART OF ME DOESN'T WANT THEM TO BE FRIENDS?
AND AFTER THEY TOOK CARE OF ME...
AHHH!
CRAP!
FWUMP
THOSE TWO REALLY GET ALONG...
PATHETIC...
MAN, I'M WEAK...

CHUCKLE CHUCKLE
"ODEN BY SUZU" ...
R/AR
"If you have any kind of an appetite, pop this in the microwave Oden by Suzu
WELCOME!
SHE'S GOOD AT SALES.
GET YOUR TOY-ZAMASU "A-KARA" RIGHT HERE!
IT'S A LIMITED CRYSTAL EDITION!
YOU CAN SING ANYWHERE WITH THIS GREAT BUY!

I HAVE TO BE. I'M PINCH-HITTING FOR UOZUMI-KUN.
YOU'RE REALLY INTO IT.
THANK YOU!
I'LL TAKE ONE!
ME TOO!
HEY
RUMPLE
RUMPLE
HAHA
IS THAT SO?
TOY ZAMASU

SMASH
BAM

I'M BACK!
I SAW YOU...
...FROM THE WINDOW.
IT'S TRUE. KIDS DO HAVE HIGHER BODY TEMPERA-TURES...
THAT'S BECAUSE I RAN HERE!

Merry Christmas

RageQuit Manga

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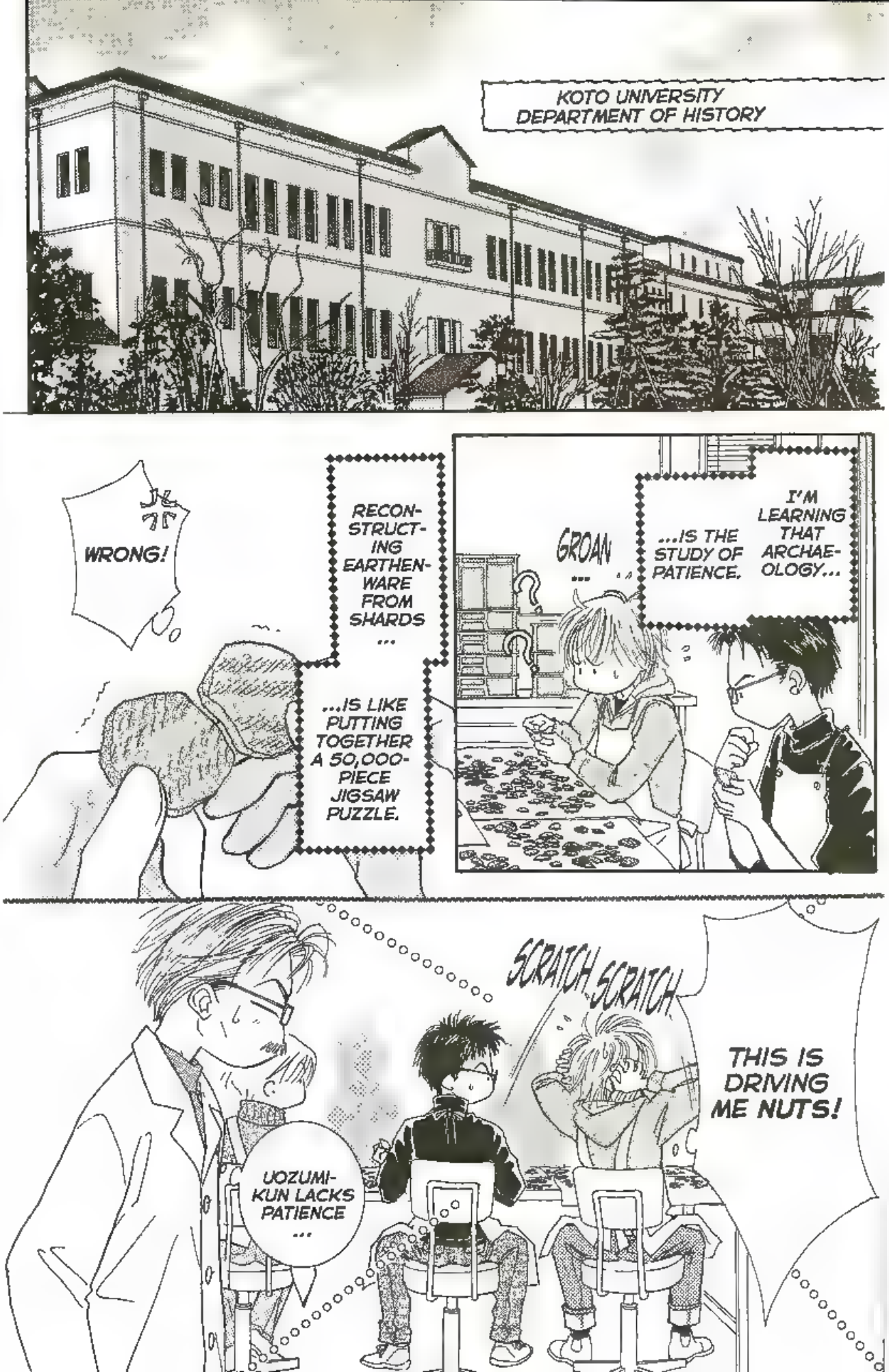
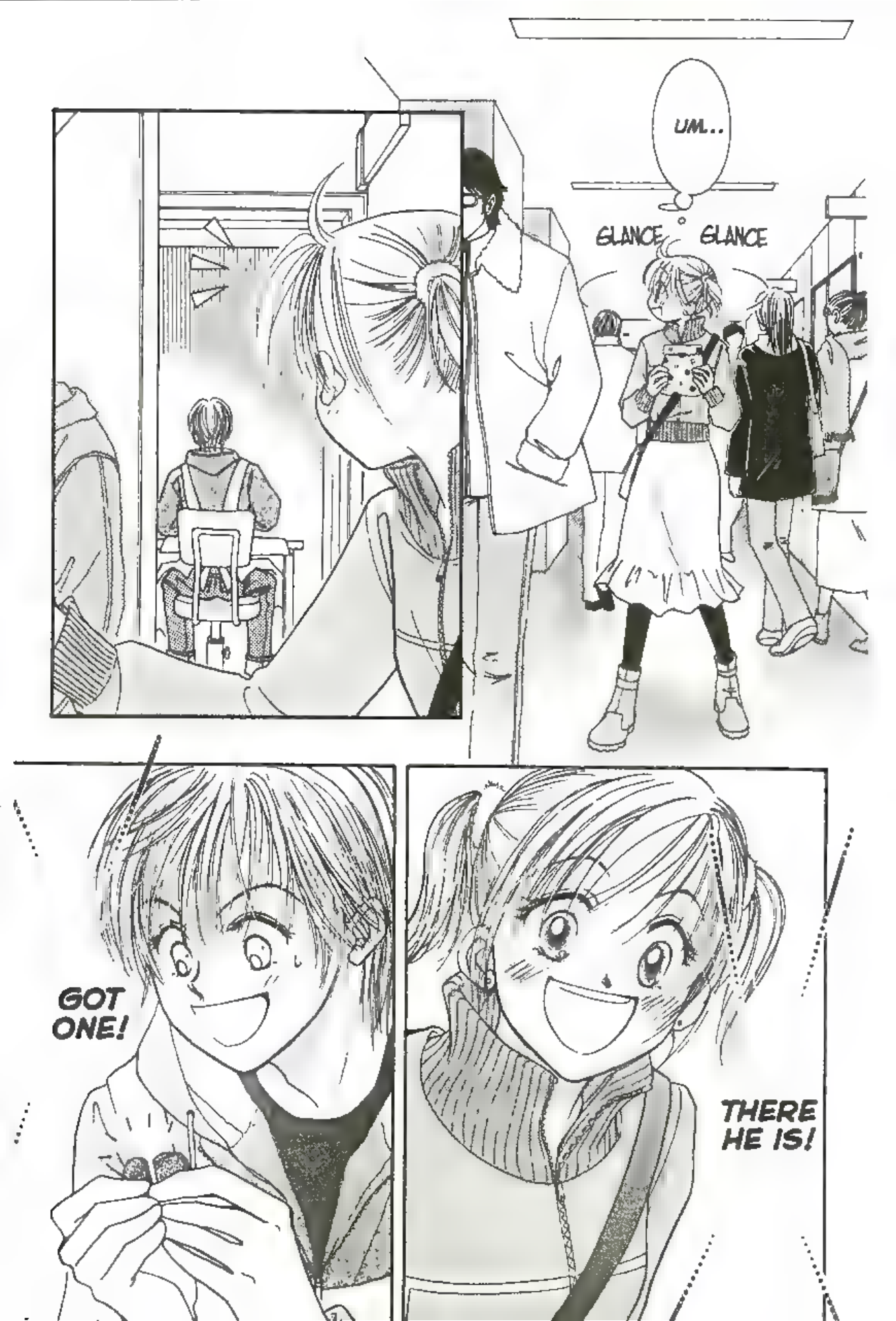
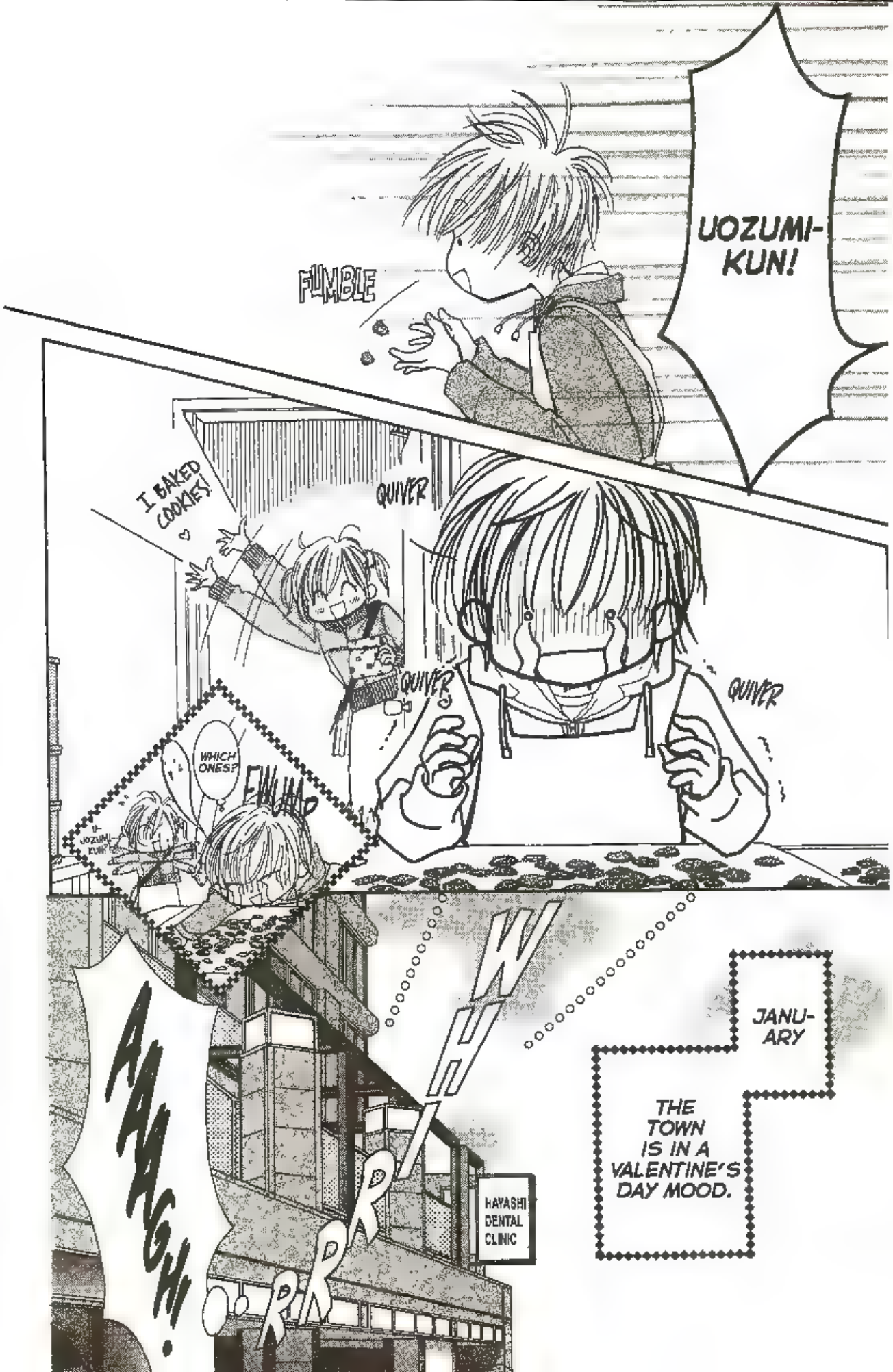

KOTO UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
WRONG!
RECON-
STRUCT-
ING
EARTHEN-
WARE
FROM
SHARDS
...
...IS LIKE
PUTTING
TOGETHER
A 50,000-
PIECE
JIGSAW
PUZZLE.
GROAN
...
...IS THE
STUDY OF
PATIENCE.
I'M
LEARNING
THAT
ARCHAE-
OLOGY...
UOZUMI-
KUN LACKS
PATIENCE
...
SCRATCH SCRATCH
THIS IS
DRIVING
ME NUTS!

AH... HEY!
TA TA TA TA TA
HUFF
HUFF
YANK
...I SAID!
HEY!!
.....
OH, NO REASON... I JUST SAW YOU GOING BY...
SO I...
WH-WHAT IS IT, YUKI-KUN?
WHAT'S THE IDEA OF CHOKING ME?!
KOFF
KOFF

HAHA
I TRIED BAKING COOKIES FOR THE FIRST TIME!
IT'S A SNACK FOR UOZUMI-KUN!
LEAN
WHAT'S THAT?
POP
YOU GET JUST ONE.
ICK!
CRUNCH CRUNCH

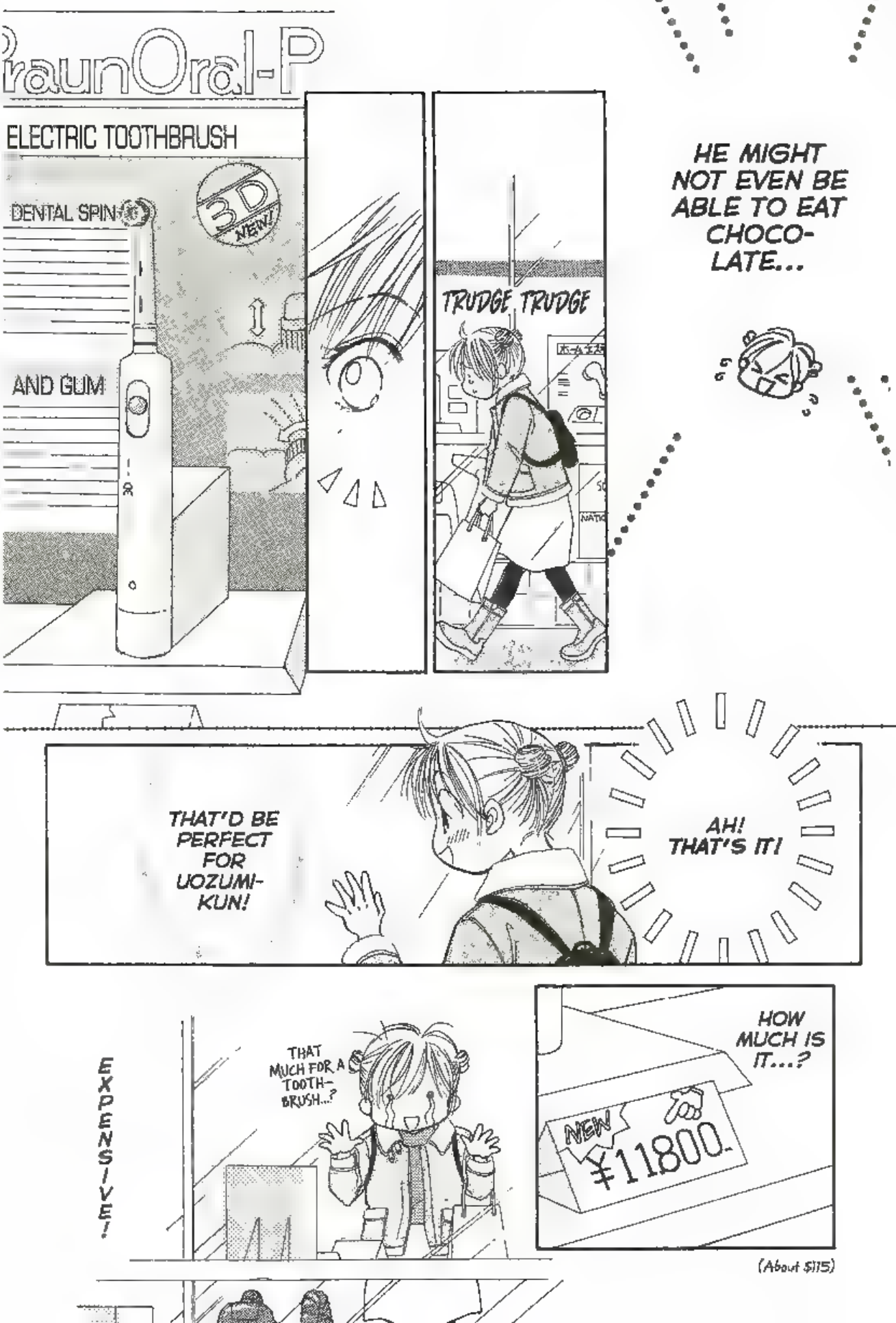

UM...
GLANCE
GLANCE
GOT ONE!
THERE HE IS!

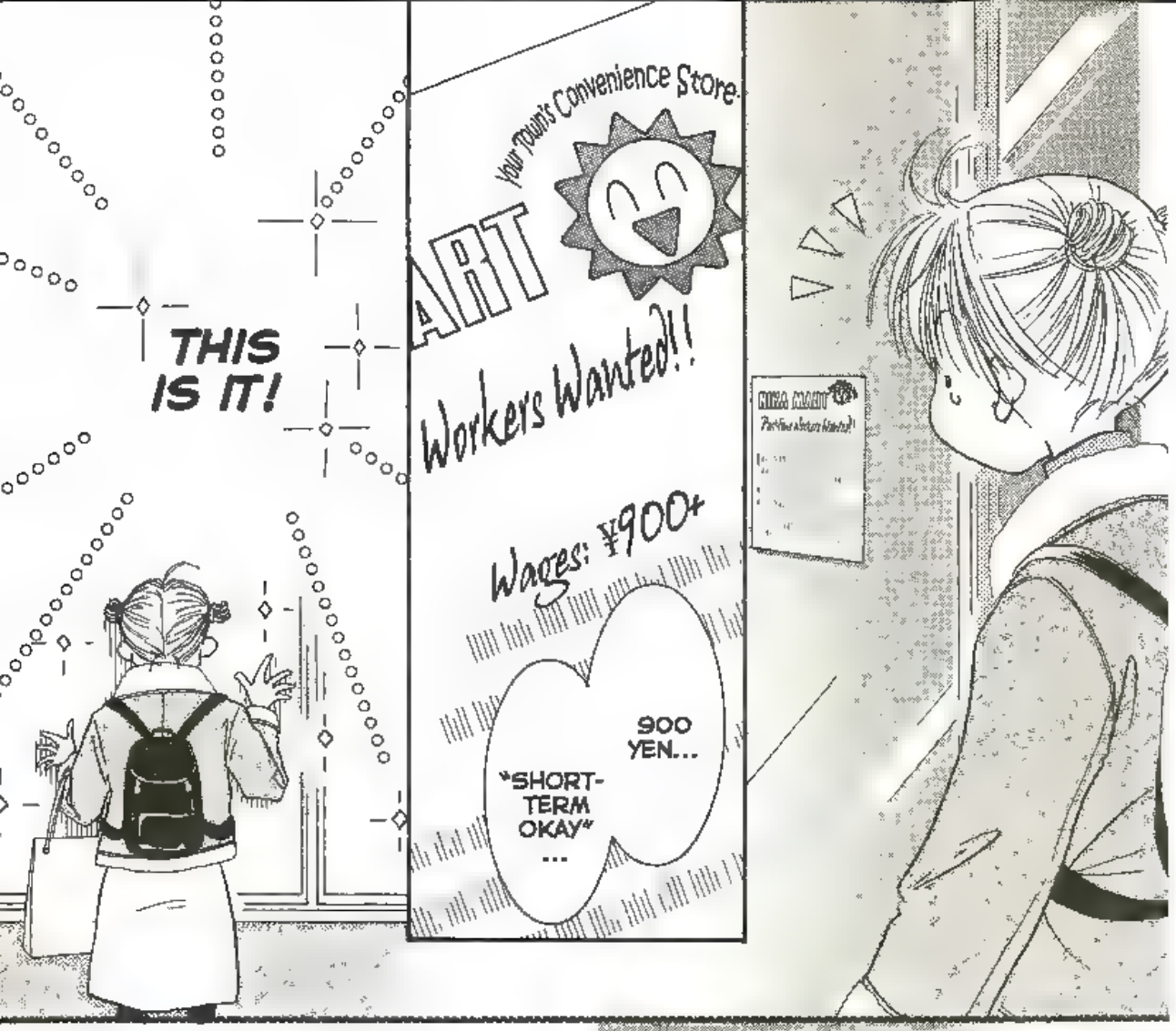

UOZUMI-KUN!
FUMBLE
I BAKED COOKIES
QUIVER
QUIVER
QUIVER
WHICH ONES?
FWUMP
U-UOZUMI-KUN?
AAAGH!
WHIRRRR
HAYASHI DENTAL CLINIC
JANU-ARY
THE TOWN IS IN A VALENTINE'S DAY MOOD.

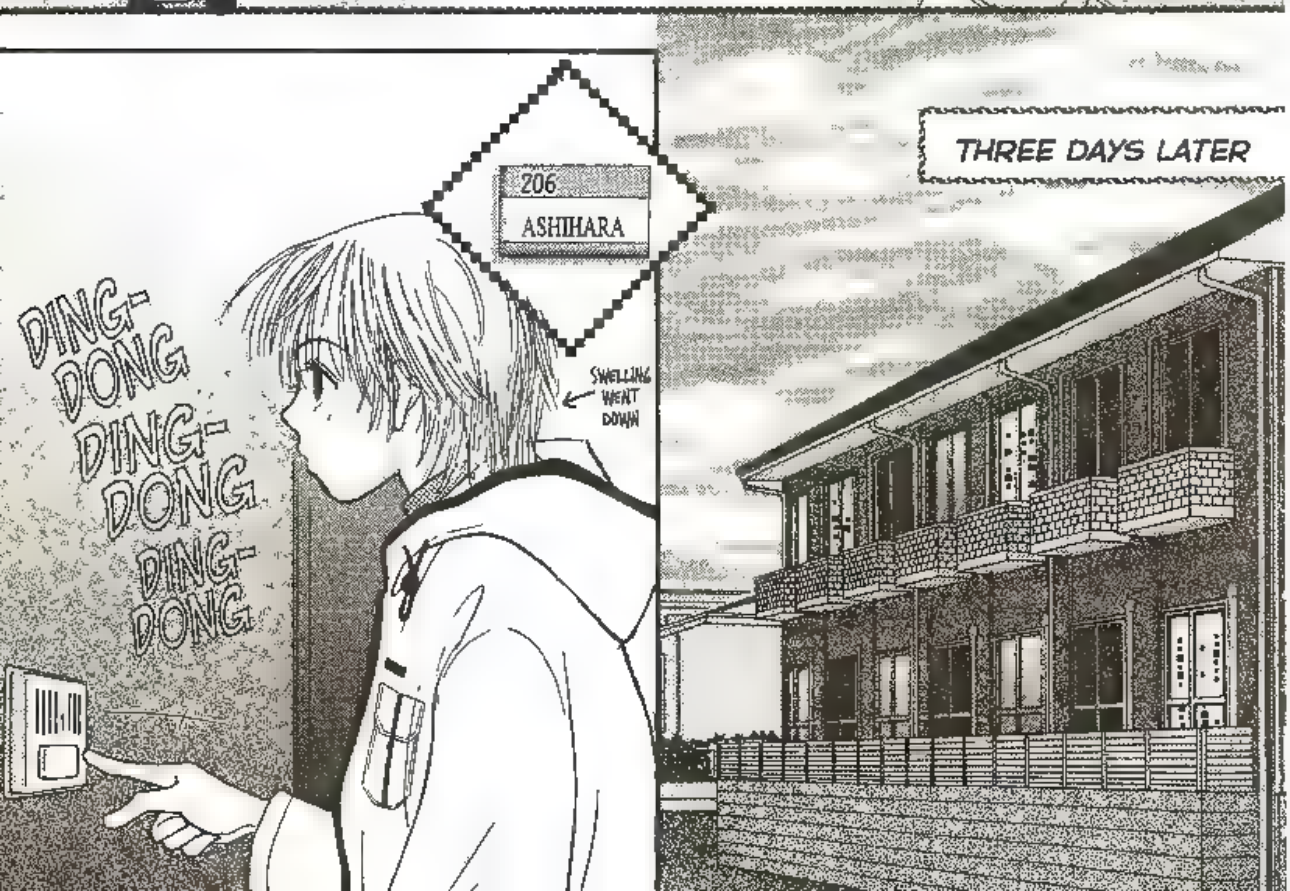
I THOUGHT I WAS GONNA DIE!
TRUDGE TRUDGE
STING STING
WHIRRR
FLAIL FLAIL FLAIL FLAIL
When pain penetrates to human bone, the sensation doesn't change to a pleasant feeling.
St Valentine day 2.14
VALENTINE'S WRAPPING
I'M GIVING TO TOMO-KUN!
KYAAA! KYAAA!
I'M GONNA GIVE CHOCOLATE TO HIRO-KUN!
THUMP THUMP
HWAAA!
IT'S SO CROWDED!

2.14 St. Valentine day
Homemade Chocolate
I CAN'T HELP IT.
LOLLIPOP
THAT MIGHT BE A GOOD IDEA...
IT'S REALLY EASY TO MAKE...
THANK YOU!
I'LL TAKE ONE.
BUT WHAT KIND...?
I WANT TO GIVE HIM SOME...
SINCE HE'S AN ARCHAEOLOGY GUY...
...IF I MADE IT LIKE A HANIWA*?
BET HE'D GET A KICK OUT OF IT...
*Earthenware figures that line the exterior of some ancient Japanese burial mounds
SAKUSAKU BANK
SKIP
SKIP
TRUDGE
TRUDGE
AH! UOZUMI-KUN!

AH!
HEY...
DON'T PLAY DUMB!
SCRATCH SCRATCH
...WHO ARE YOU?
LOOKS LIKE MARO*...
OWIE!
OW!
OWWW!
*"Maro" was often added to surnames long ago, especially to courtly names. This is the standard image, with chipmunk cheeks.


BraunOral-P
ELECTRIC TOOTHBRUSH
DENTAL SPIN
3D NEW!
AND GUM
TRUDGE TRUDGE
HE MIGHT NOT EVEN BE ABLE TO EAT CHOCO-LATE...
THAT'D BE PERFECT FOR UOZUMI-KUN!
AH! THAT'S IT!
EXPENSIVE!
THAT MUCH FOR A TOOTH-BRUSH...?
HOW MUCH IS IT...?
NEW
¥11800.
(About $115)


THIS IS IT!
Your Town's Convenience Store
ART
Workers Wanted!!
Wages: ¥900+
"SHORT-TERM OKAY" ...
900 YEN...
KIRA MART
Part-time Workers Wanted!


THREE DAYS LATER
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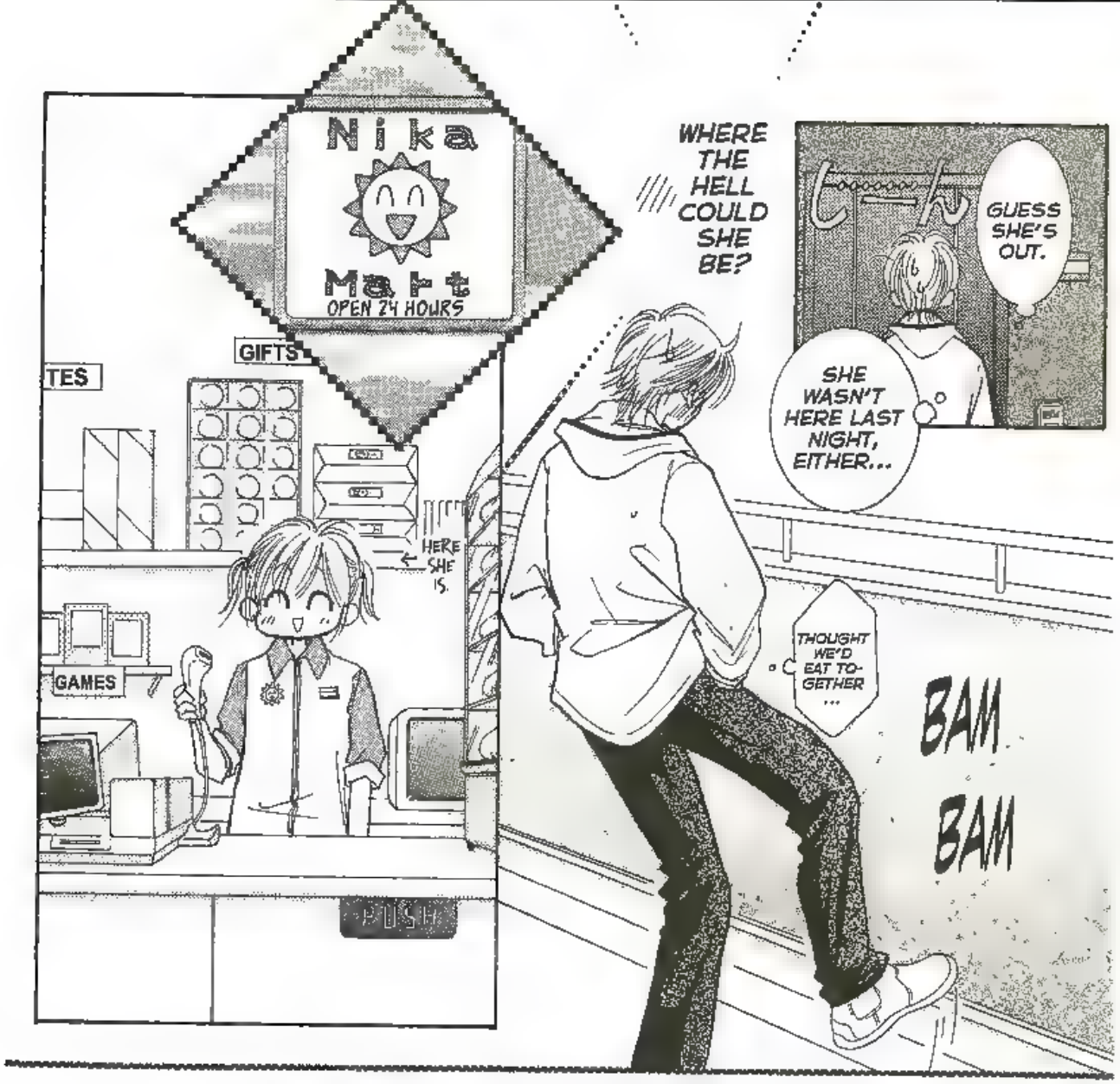
ASHIHARA
SWELLING WENT DOWN
DING-DONG DING-DONG DING-DONG


Nika
Mart
OPEN 24 HOURS
GIFTS
TES
GAMES
HERE SHE IS.
PUSH
WHERE THE HELL COULD SHE BE?
GUESS SHE'S OUT.
SHE WASN'T HERE LAST NIGHT, EITHER...
THOUGHT WE'D EAT TOGETHER ...
BAM
BAM

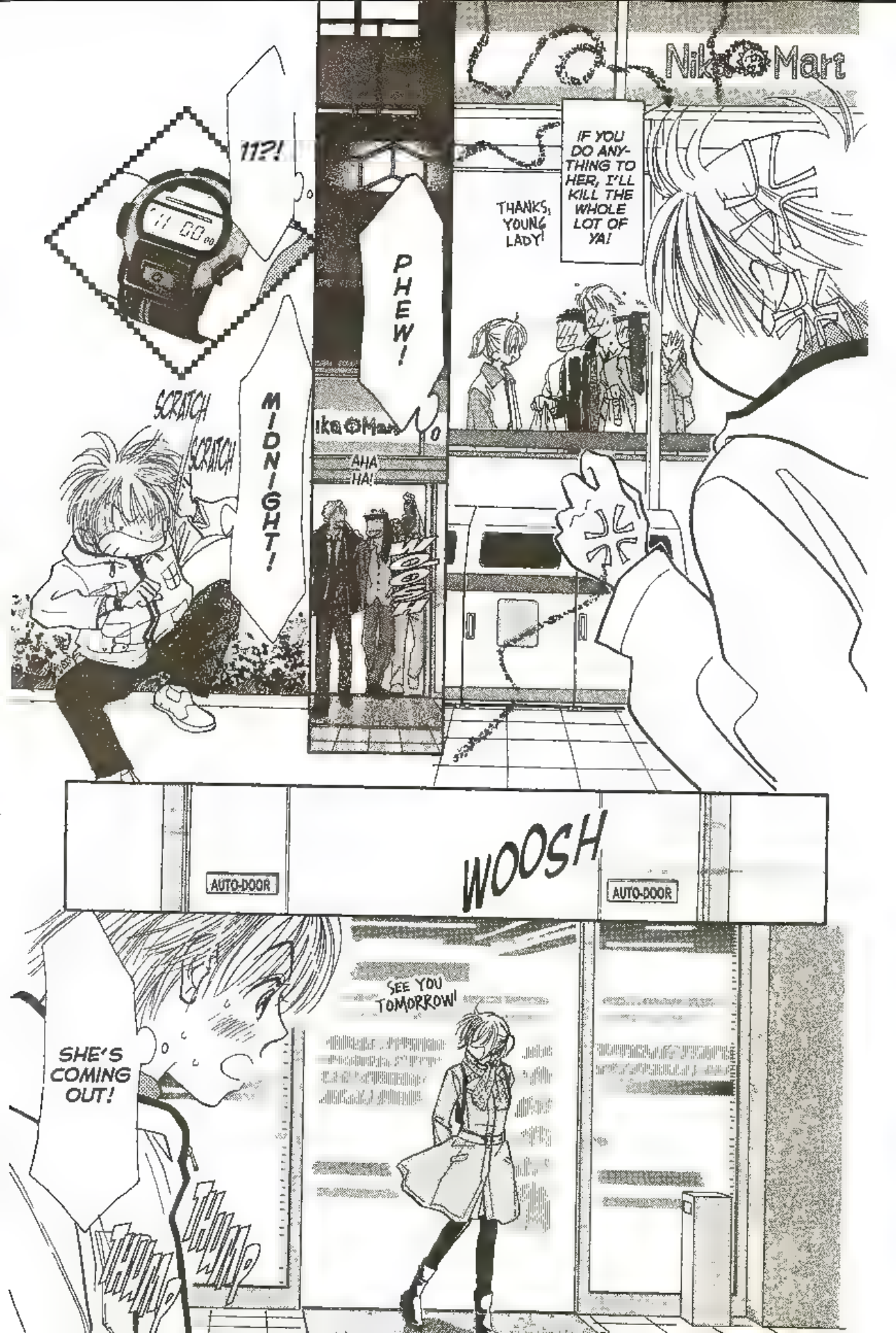
YUKI!
FLIP
WOOSH

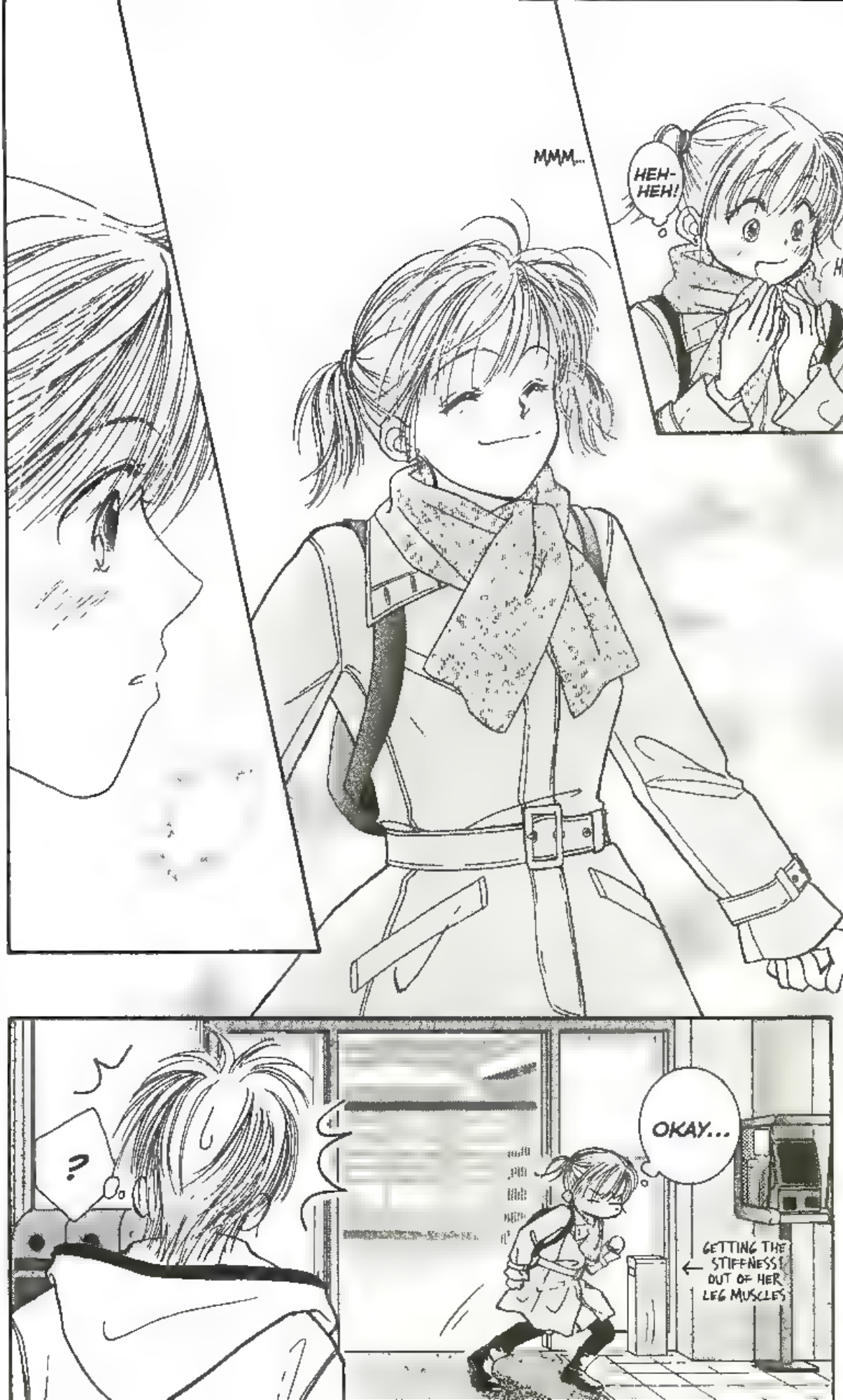
GIFT
...IN THE SEMI-NUDE.
HUH!
YUMIKO SHAKU ...
PLOP
SWEET BEAN BUN
YAKISOBA ROLL
WH-WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
IT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS WHAT I BUY!
HEH-HEH!
I'M WORKING!
WHISPER WHISPER
DON'T TELL UOZUMI-KUN, THOUGH.
THIS IS FOR A TOP-SECRET PROJECT!

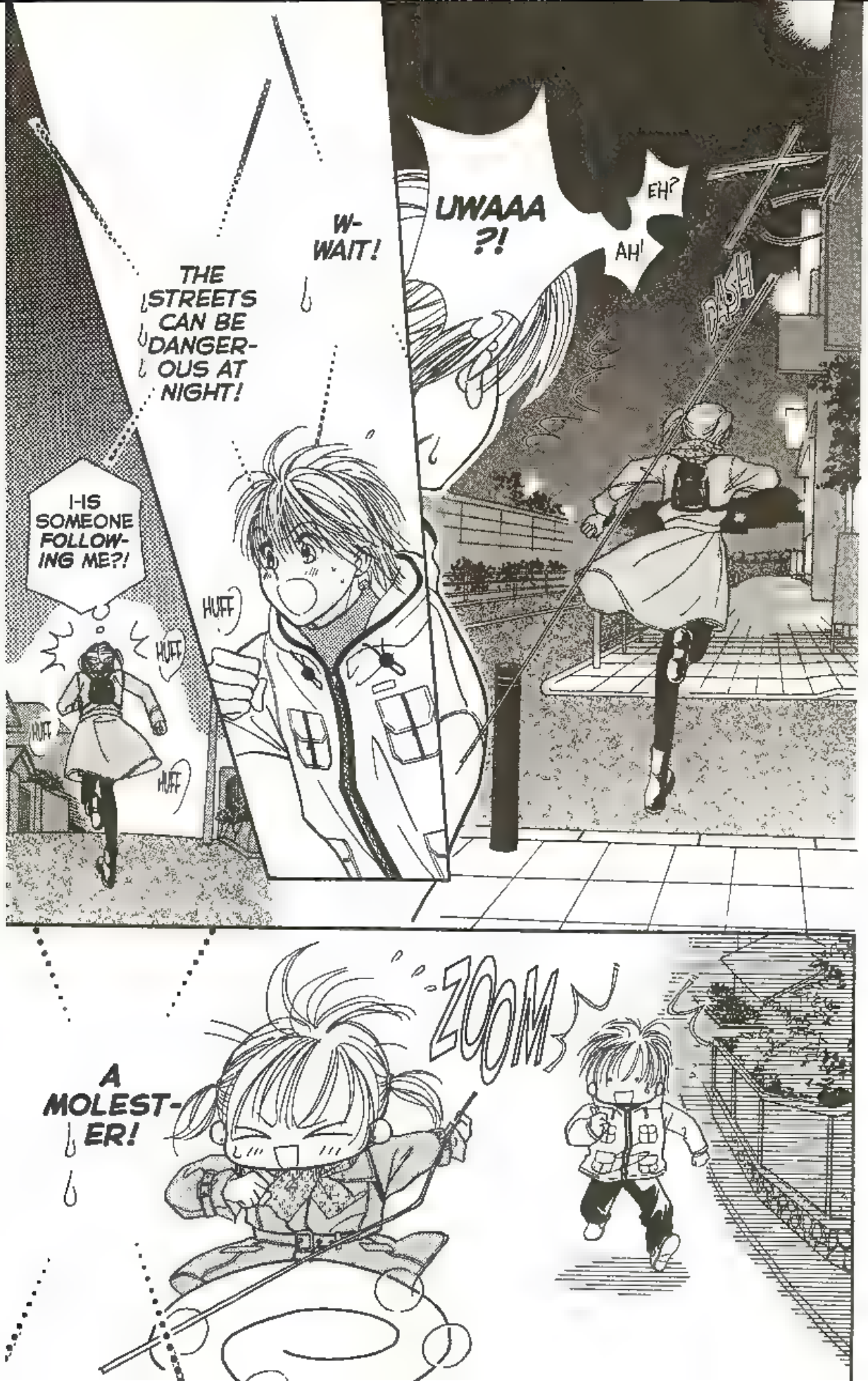
WOOSH!
TRYING TO WORK IN SECRET AT A CONVENIENCE STORE...
...THAT'S RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE STATION?
GOOD LUCK WITH THAT !!
AH! HEY ...
GAH!
AHA HA!
UOZUMI-SAN!
?
SWISH
WHAT IS WITH YOU?!
FLAP
TOUCH
WASN'T THINKING!
OH... NOTHING SPECIAL ...
!

WHAT THE HELL?
HE KNEW... AND I DIDN'T?
HMPH.
Evidence
SUZU-CHAN?!
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
DASH
AH! UOZUMI-SAN?!

Mart
OPEN 24 HOURS
...AND THIS LATE AT NIGHT ...?
SO THAT'S WHY SHE HASN'T BEEN AROUND LATELY.
SHE'S BEEN WORKING...
HUFF
HUFF
NOBODY DECENT GOES INTO A CONVENIENCE STORE AFTER...
WOOSH
ACK!
NYA HA HA!
IT'S 10!


Nik Mart
IF YOU DO ANY-THING TO HER, I'LL KILL THE WHOLE LOT OF YA!
THANKS, YOUNG LADY!
11?!
PHEW!
MIDNIGHT!
SCRATCH SCRATCH
AHA HA!
WOOSH
AUTO-DOOR
AUTO-DOOR
SEE YOU TOMORROW!
SHE'S COMING OUT!
THUMP THUMP


MMM...
HEH-HEH!
HUFF
?
OKAY...
GETTING THE STIFFNESS OUT OF HER LEG MUSCLES


W-WAIT!
UWAAA ?!
EH?
AH!
DASH
THE STREETS CAN BE DANGER-OUS AT NIGHT!
I-IS SOMEONE FOLLOW-ING ME?!
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
ZOOM
A MOLEST-ER!

SH-SHE MADE IT HOME SAFELY.
WHEW!
HUFF
HUFF
SH-SHOULD BE SAFE HERE...
GASP
PANT
AH!
UOZUMI-KUN'S ROOM...
THE LIGHTS ARE OUT.
MUST BE ASLEEP ...

CHUCKLE
GOOD-
NIGHT...
KA-
CHAK
SPIN

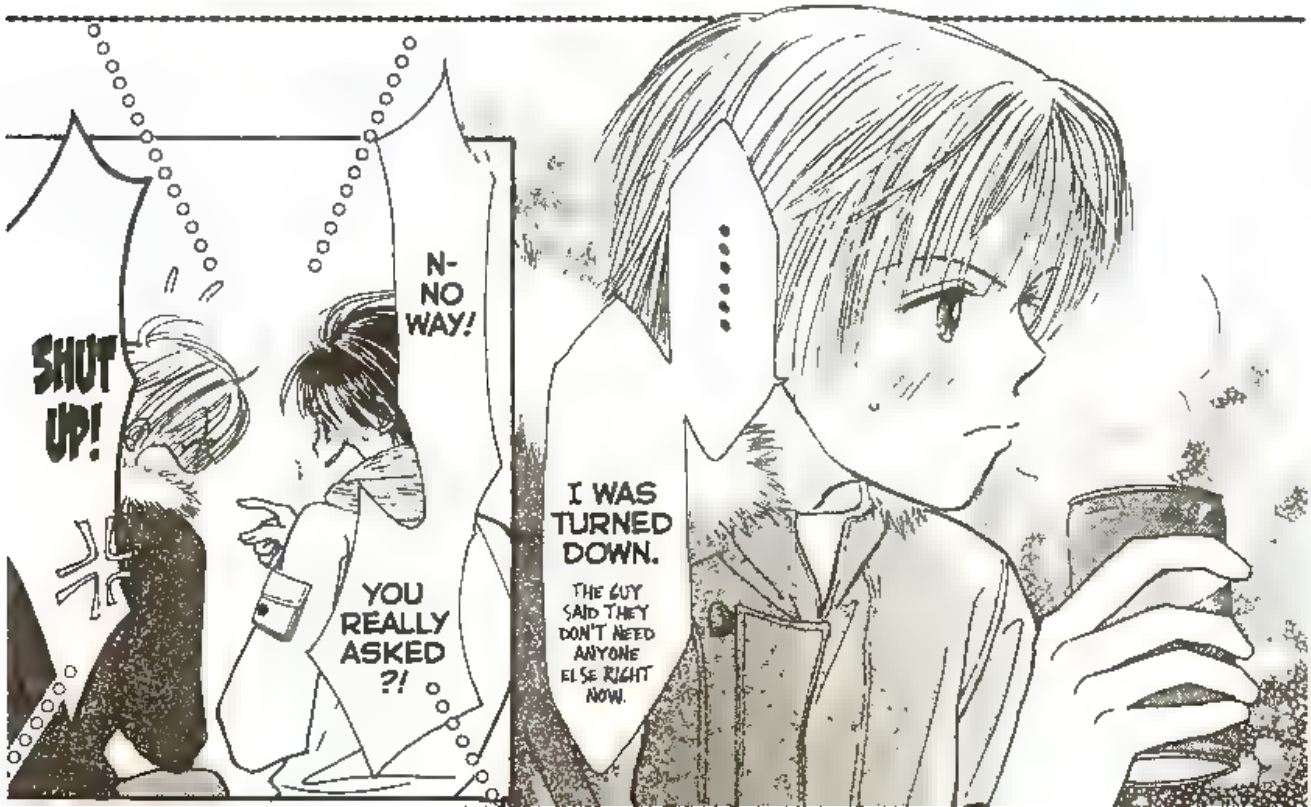
Mika
LEAN
うろうろ
FWAB
HUFF
11:02!
EVERY SINGLE NIGHT...
WHY HAS SHE ...
...SUDDENLY DECIDED TO JOIN THE LABOR FORCE?
WOOSH
TH-THEY LOOK PRETTY SHIFTY...
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

FIDGET
AHAHA!
SHE'S TAMED 'EM!
WHY DO I WORRY ABOUT HER...?
SPIN
THAT'S ENOUGH OF THIS---JUST GO HOME...
TAP
PAT
WAA
HEY THERE ...

Nika Mart
OPEN 24 HOURS
THUNK
FSST
WHAT-CHA DOIN'?
N-NOTHING.
HOW ABOUT YOU?
WANT SOME?
THANKS.
.....
GULP
GULP
GULP
SPEW
THAT'S AN INDIRECT KISS.
OLD JOKE

...YOU SHOULD WORK ALONG-SIDE HER.
IF YOU'RE THAT WORRIED ABOUT HER...

KOF KOF
GULP GULP


SHUT UP!
N-NO WAY!
YOU REALLY ASKED ?!
I WAS TURNED DOWN.
THE GUY SAID THEY DON'T NEED ANYONE ELSE RIGHT NOW.
.....

SHE'S GOT YOUR LIFE TURNED UPSIDE-DOWN!
SNICKER
SNICKER
IF YOU'RE GONNA LAUGH, LAUGH NORMALLY!
PFFT...
HEE...
HA...
GUMPER
I DON'T SEE HOW YOU'RE SO DIFFER-ENT...

BRR
THAT IS COLD

HAA
HAA

GULP
GULP

I CAN'T JUST LEAVE HER ALONE...
Niko Mart
2/14-- SAINT VALENTINE'S DAY
I MADE ENOUGH TO BUY IT!
KIMIBORI APPLIANCES

A Day in the Life of Maotaro 39

On October 4th, 2001, Mao is going to turn 18. (I don't even know how old that would be in human years anymore!) His favorite food is octopus!!

Whenever I eat takoyaki (octopus cooked in batter), he always makes a fuss until he gets some.

How can he detect the octopus underneath the smell of all that heavy sauce?! And even if I close the door and try to eat in secret...

...he knows!

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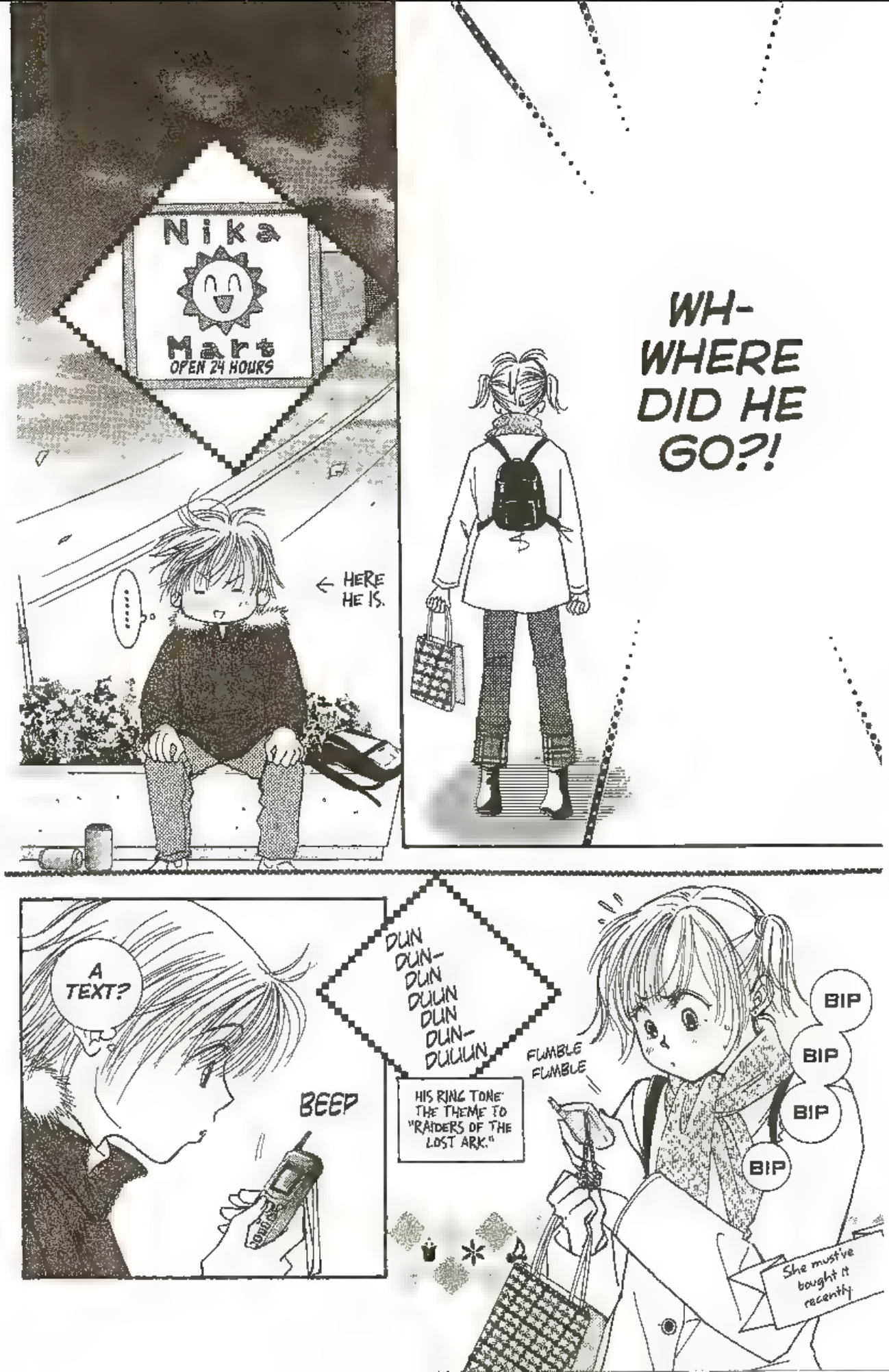
EICHI UOZUMI

DING-DONG DING-DONG


Nika
Mart
OPEN 24 HOURS
HERE HE IS.
.....
WH-WHERE DID HE GO?!
A TEXT?
BEEP
DUN DUN- DUN DULIN DUN DUN- DULILIN
HIS RING TONE THE THEME TO "RAIDERS OF THE LOST ARK."
FUMBLE FUMBLE
BIP
BIP
BIP
BIP
She must've bought it recently.

AT THE APARTMENT. LET'S HAVE DINNER TOGETHER!

BUMP
WHOA!
SORRY ABOUT THAT!
YES!

うどん
NOODLES
OPEN
SLURP SLURP
UH-HUH!
S' GOOD!!

...I FEEL LIKE I COULD...
...DIE HAPPY!
UH-OH... RIGHT NOW...
OPEN
TA TA TA
SWISH
?

AN ELEC-TRIC TOOTH-BRUSH ...
UM... IT'S FOR...
VALEN-TINE'S.
THAT'S WHY SHE...?

GRIN GRIN
TH--
THIS MAKES ME FEEL LIKE AN OLD MAN.
EH...?
AH!
THERE'S CHOCO- OH! LATE, TOO!
Thank you for everything!

A HANIWA!
AN ALIEN?
CRACK
?
?
A FILLING FROM ONE OF MY MOLARS...
...JUST CAME OUT.

HE'S "MARO" AGAIN!
MORNING...
THE NEXT DAY

RageQuit Manga

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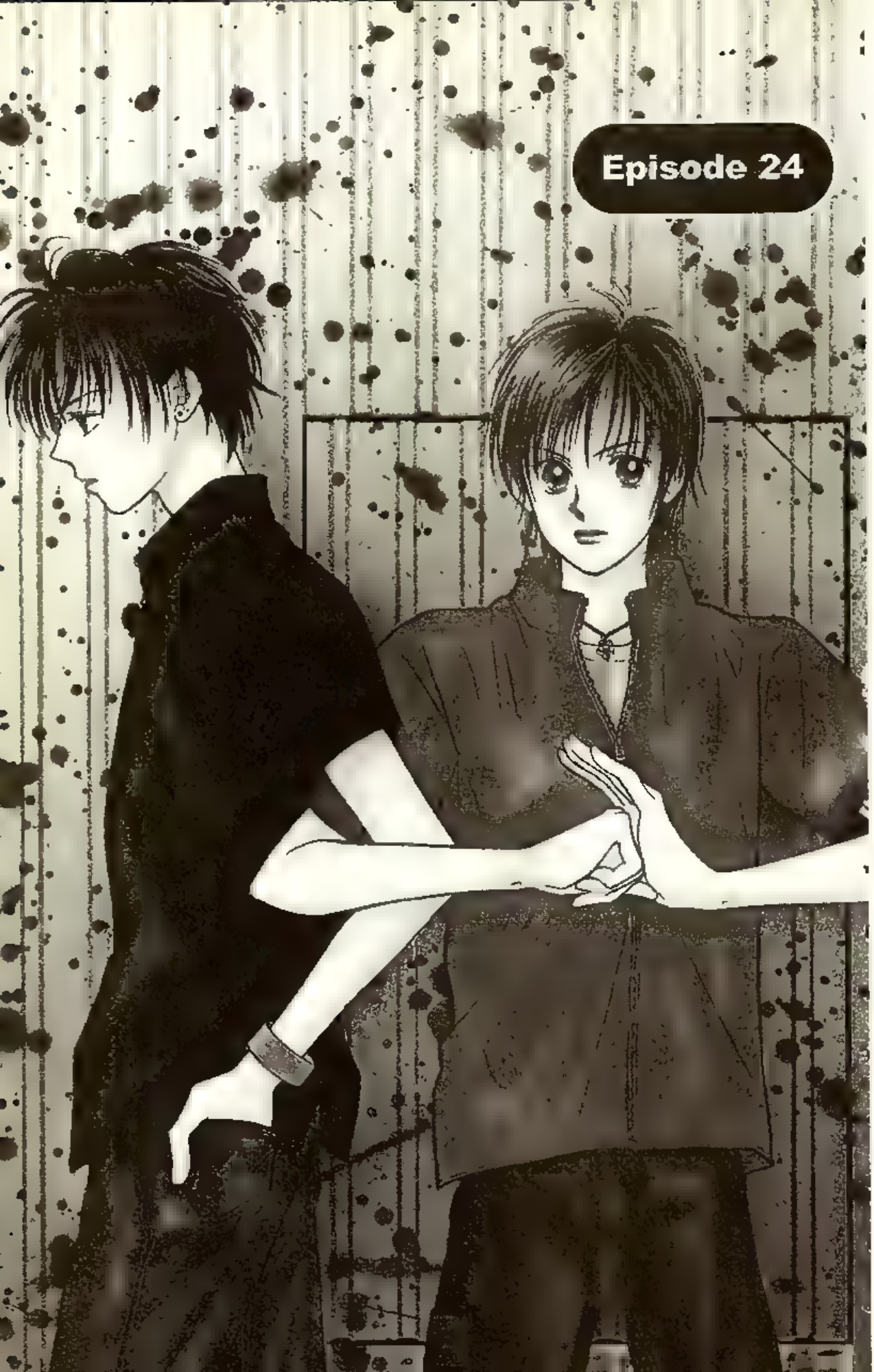
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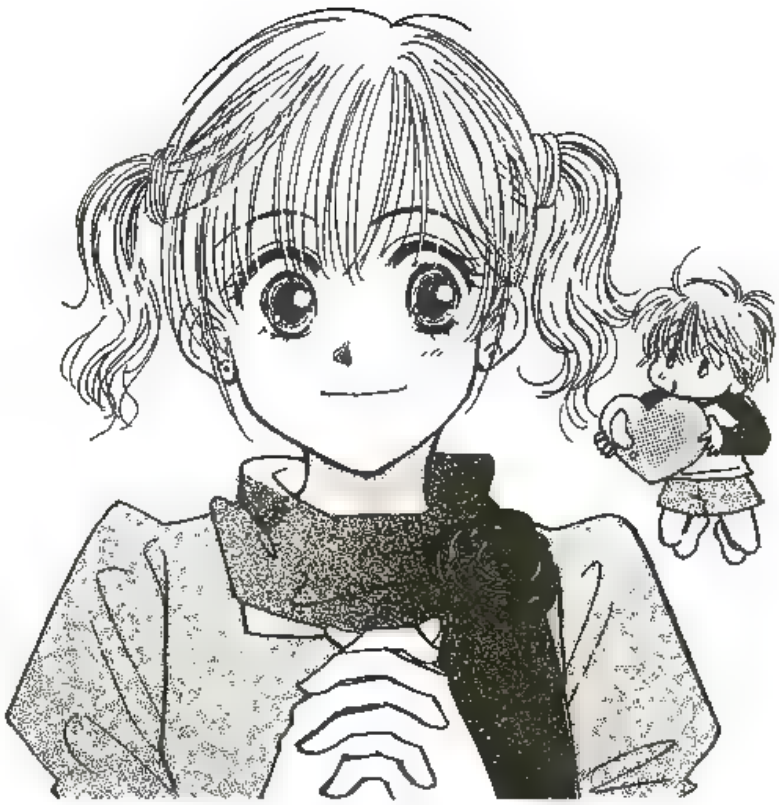

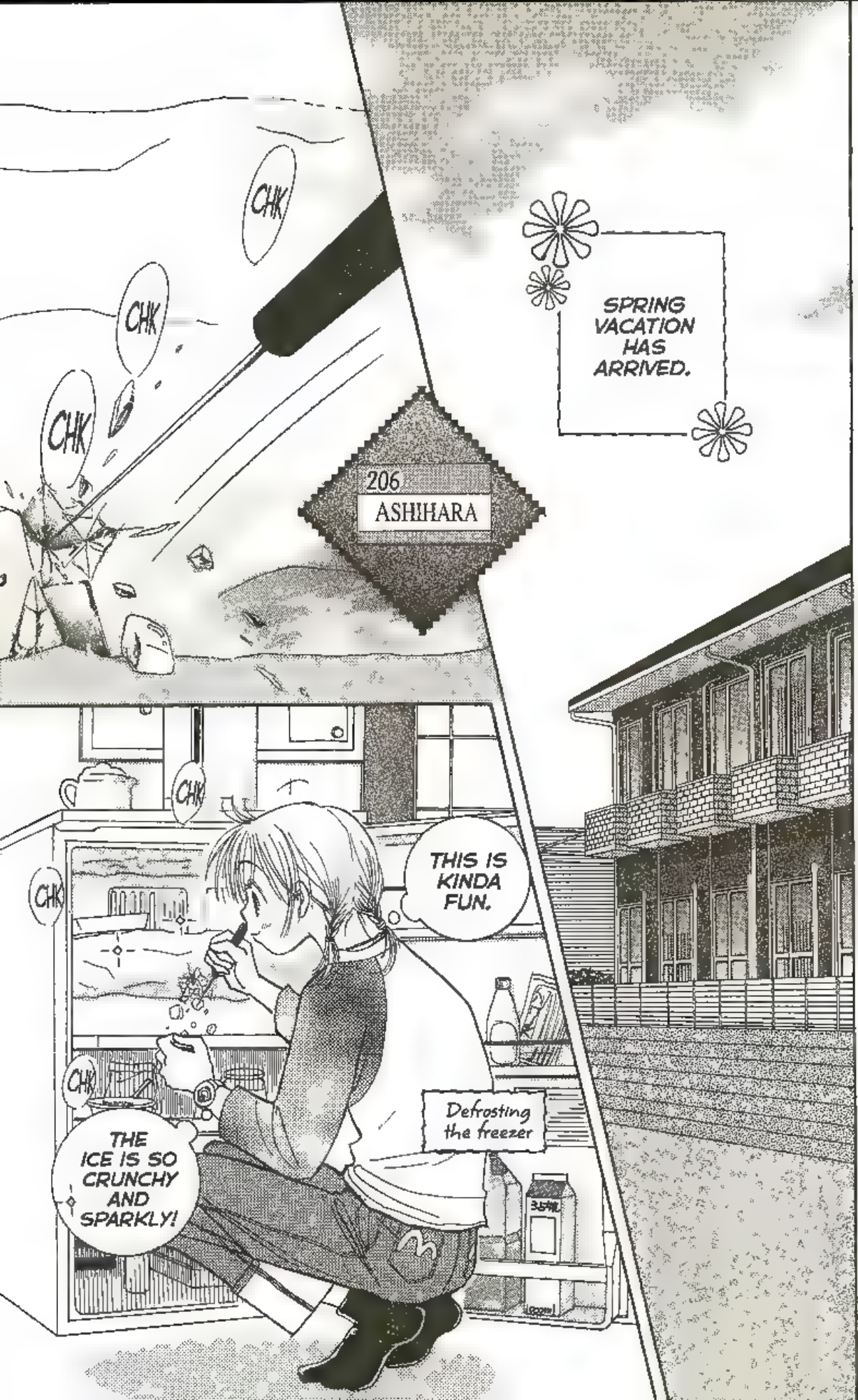
CHK
CHK
CHK
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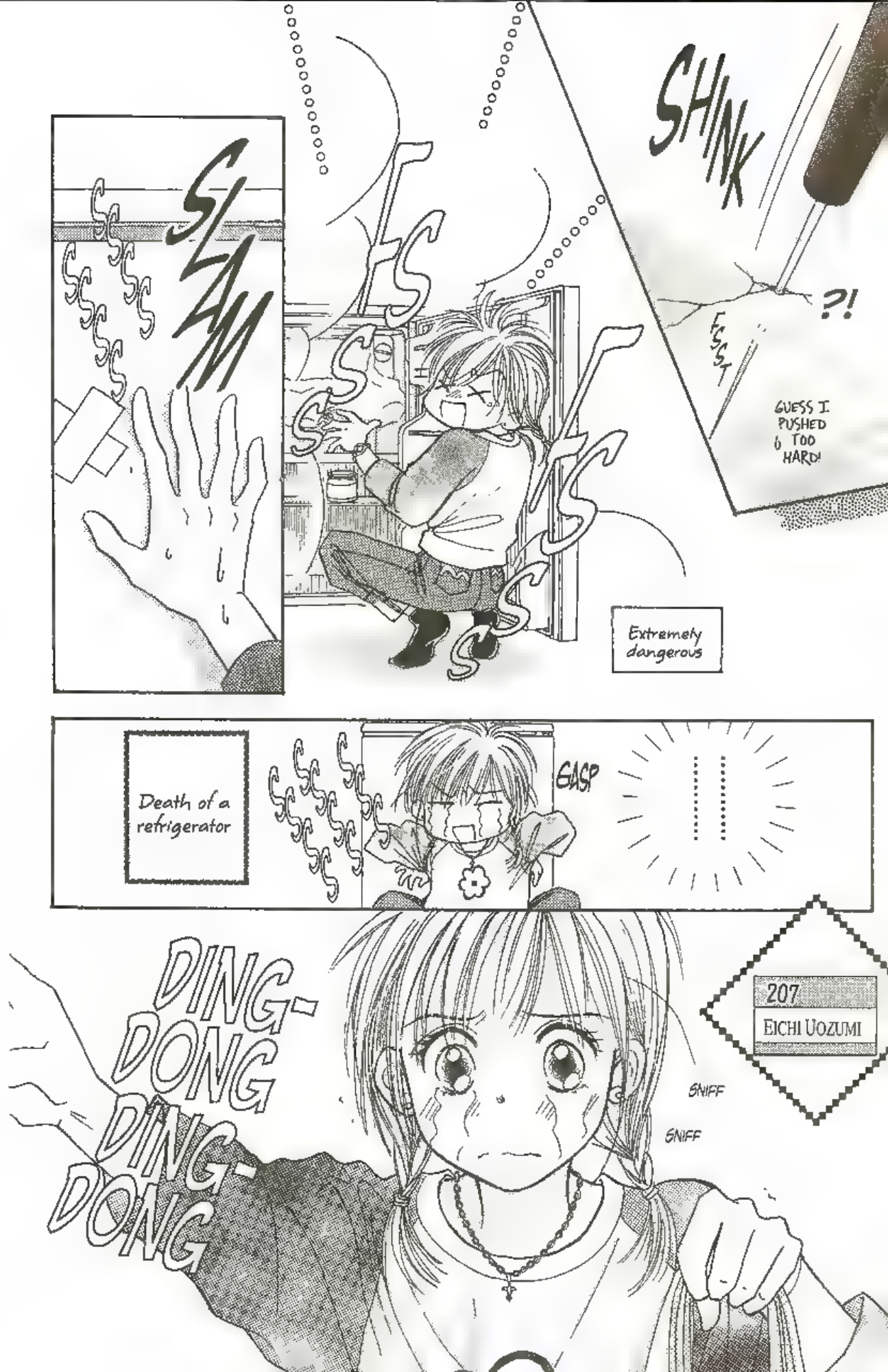
ASHIHARA
SPRING VACATION HAS ARRIVED.
CHK
CHK
CHK
THIS IS KINDA FUN.
Defrosting the freezer
THE ICE IS SO CRUNCHY AND SPARKLY!


SLAM
SSSS

KA-CHA
YEAH ?
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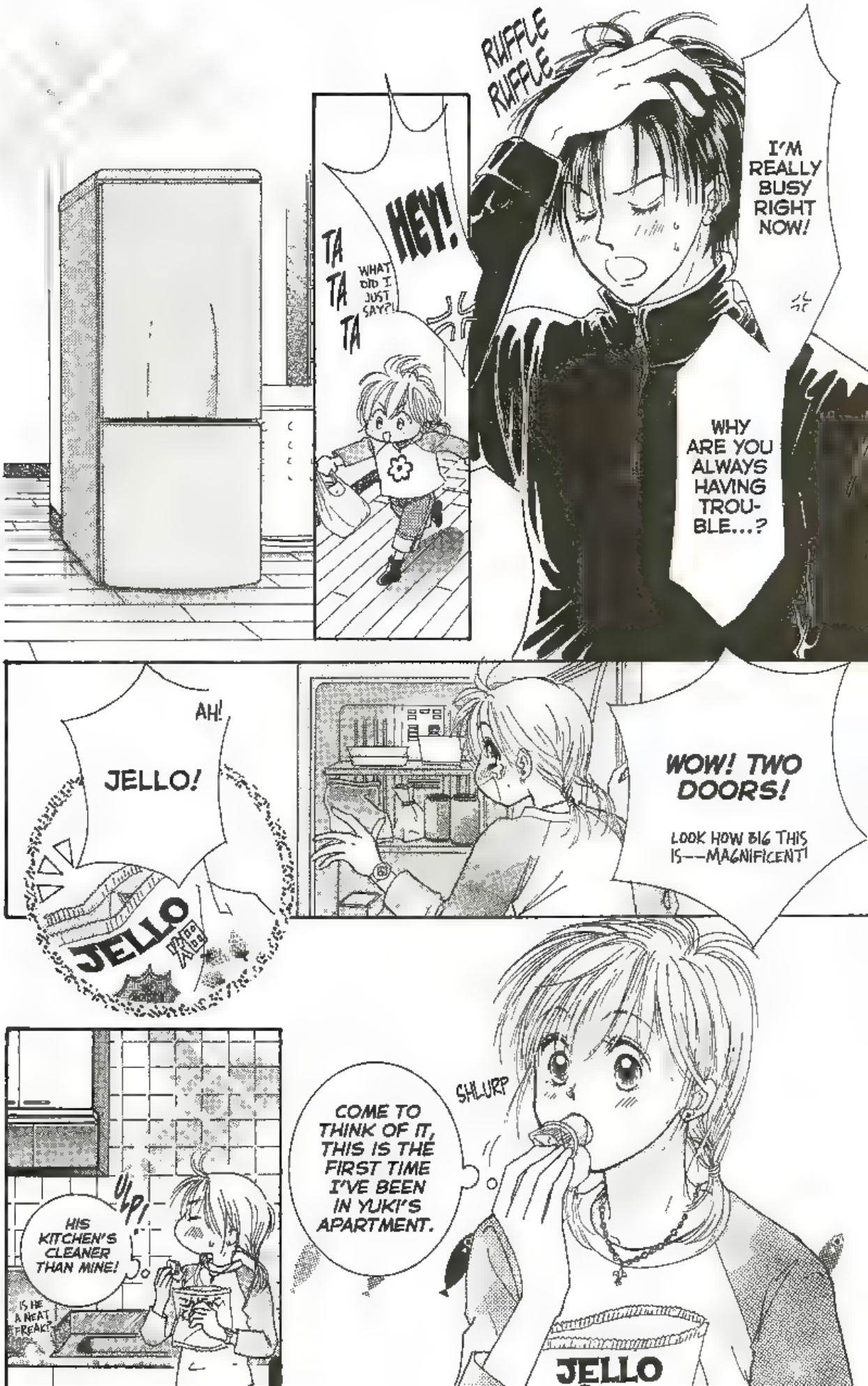
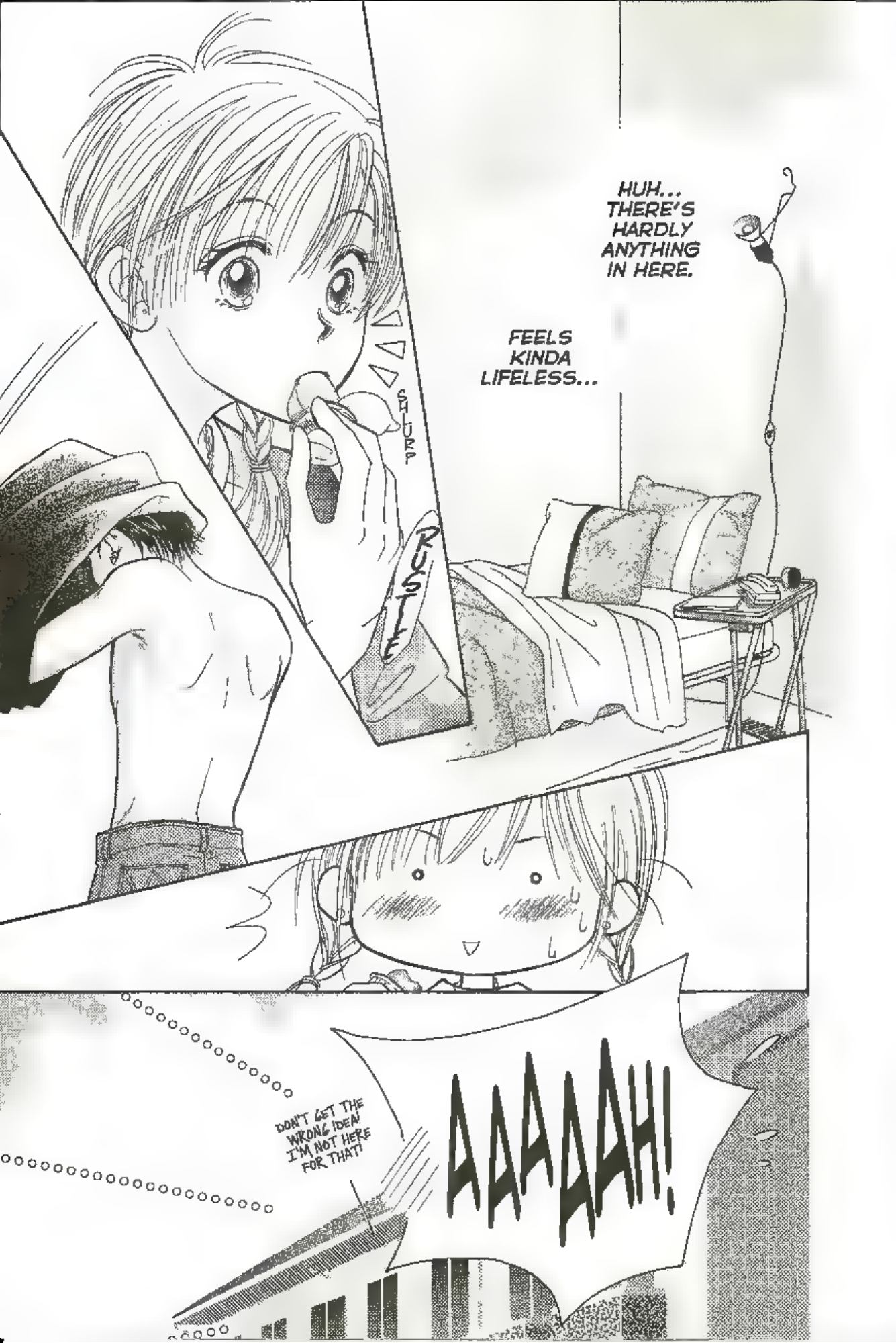
YUKI IKEUCHI
DING-DONG DING-DONG
HE'S OUT ...
.....

.....
BUTTER, MILK, BACON...
MY FRIDGE BROKE.
CAN THESE THINGS TAKE REFUGE IN YOURS ...?


RUFFLE RUFFLE
I'M REALLY BUSY RIGHT NOW!
WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS HAVING TROU-BLE...?
TA TA TA
HEY!
WHAT DID I JUST SAY?!
WOW! TWO DOORS!
LOOK HOW BIG THIS IS--MAGNIFICENT!
AH!
JELLO!
JELLO
SHLURP
COME TO THINK OF IT, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE BEEN IN YUKI'S APARTMENT.
JELLO
UP!
HIS KITCHEN'S CLEANER THAN MINE!
IS HE A NEAT FREAK?


HUH... THERE'S HARDLY ANYTHING IN HERE.
FEELS KINDA LIFELESS...
SHURP
RUSTLE
AAAAAH!
DON'T GET THE WRONG IDEA! I'M NOT HERE FOR THAT!

I'VE GOTTA GO TO WORK!
SO DON'T BUG ME!
SLAM
WHAT A HOT-HEAD...
TOSS
YOU DON'T GET THE WRONG IDEA!
GAH!
FWAP
HOW CAN SHE BE SO RECKLESS?
RUNNING INTO A GUY'S APARTMENT...
BRRD
THIS HAS TO BE PROOF THAT SHE DOESN'T EVEN THINK OF ME...
...AS A MAN!

SCRATCH SCRATCH
WHY AM I SO WORKED UP?
UO-ZUMI ?
I'LL BE RIGHT BACK!
GO ON WITH-OUT ME.
SWISH
WHAT IS THIS FEELING?

AH!
HI THERE.
HUFF
HEYA.
DING-DONG
DING-DONG
I'VE GOTTA...
...GET TO THE TRAIN STATION.
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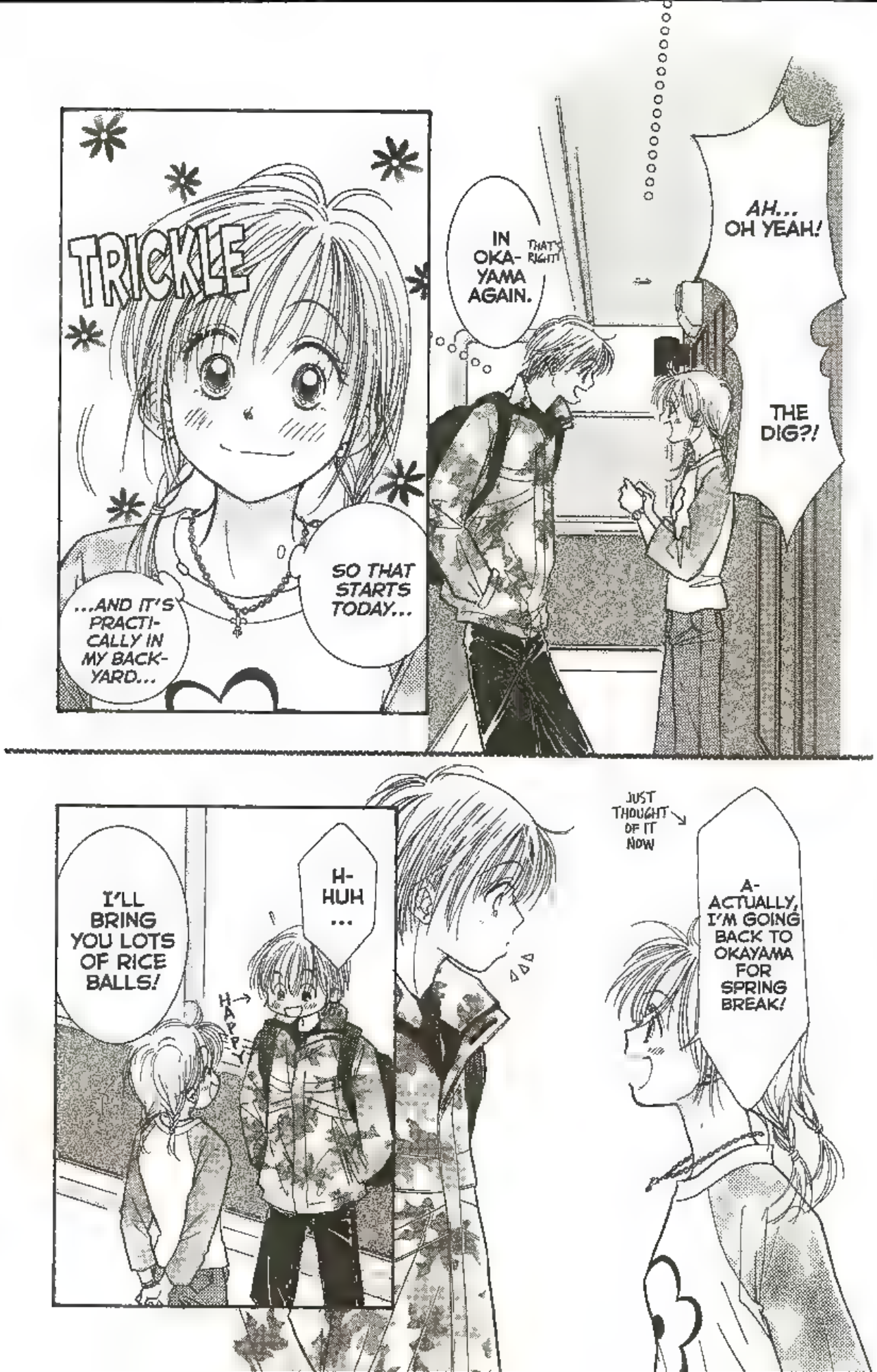
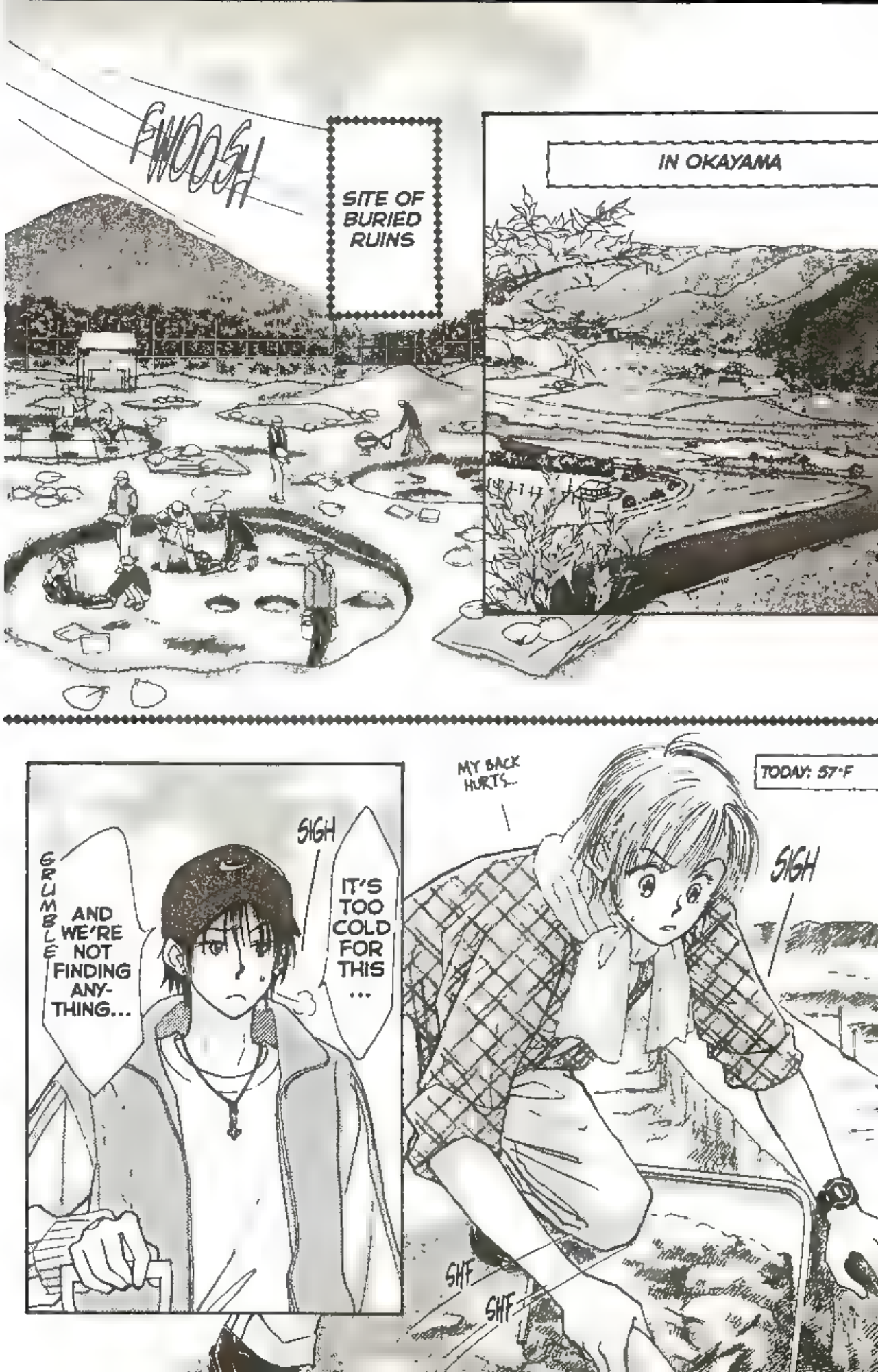

TRICKLE
...AND IT'S PRACTICALLY IN MY BACKYARD...
SO THAT STARTS TODAY...
IN OKAYAMA AGAIN.
THAT'S RIGHT!
AH... OH YEAH!
THE DIG?!
I'LL BRING YOU LOTS OF RICE BALLS!
H-HUH...
HAPPY
JUST THOUGHT OF IT NOW
A-ACTUALLY, I'M GOING BACK TO OKAYAMA FOR SPRING BREAK!

THAT'D BE FANTAS-TIC.
EVERYONE'LL BE THRILLED.
SKSH
SAM
DASH
LOOKIN' FORWARD TO EATING!
EH?
AH...!

LET'S MEET IN OKAYAMA...

IT'S A DATE...


FWOOSH
SITE OF BURIED RUINS
IN OKAYAMA
GRUMBLE
AND WE'RE NOT FINDING ANY-THING...
SIGH
IT'S TOO COLD FOR THIS ...
MY BACK HURTS...
TODAY: 57°F
SIGH
SHF
SHF

THAT'S NOT NICE!
I GOT HERE THIS MORNING WITH THE SECOND CAMP!
ANYONE CAN PARTICIPATE!
OH!
WHY THE HELL ARE YOU HERE AGAIN?!
DON'T GET ATTACHED TO ME!
WHUMP
LET'S HAVE A ROMANTIC ADVENTURE TOGETHER!
?
?
STING
STING
I WAS HOPING IT'D BE JUST SUZU-CHAN AND ME THIS TIME...
TRUDGE
TRUDGE

COME TO THINK OF IT ...
...HER HOUSE IS AROUND HERE, ISN'T IT?
EH?
... COMING HERE TODAY.
SHE'S ...
YOU DON'T HAVE TO LOOK LIKE THAT WHEN YOU SAY IT...
HURT
HURT

WAVE WAVE
UO-ZUMI-KUN!
WAAA!
RICE BALLS!
RICE BALLS!
HIYA...
OH! YUKI!
YOU'RE HERE, TOO?
SHUDDER

TH-THAT'S HER THIRD ONE...
MNCH MNCH
THEY TASTE BETTER WHEN YOU EAT 'EM OUT-SIDE!
WHAT DO YOU DO WITH THESE?
EXCAVATE.
THE LADLE'S ESPECIALLY CONVE-NIENT FOR NARROW SPACES.
A LADLE AND A TOOTH-BRUSH?

...A POOR FIELD OF STUDY, IF YOU HAVE TO RELY ON KITCHEN UTENSILS.
SOUNDS LIKE...
UOZUMI-SAN, YOU'VE LOST ALL YOUR COLOR! UOZUMI-SAN!
SHAKE SHAKE
I BROUGHT ALONG AN INTEREST-ING BOOK!
RUSTLE
RUSTLE

UOZUMI-KUN WAS BORN IN MARCH OF '81...
LET'S SEE...
FLIP FLIP FLIP
TAA DAA
SUSHI FOR-TUNE--TELLING!
IT CAN BE SURPRISINGLY ACCURATE...
Sushi Fortune-Telling
Wasabi
YUKI, WHEN'S YOUR BIRTH-DAY??
APRIL 3RD.
ON THE 31ST ...
TUNA !!
IT SAYS SOME "TUNAS" ARE POPULAR AND SOME AREN'T.
OCTOPUS! THAT'S THE WORST!
ALL "OCTOPI" CHEAT ON THEIR BOYFRIEND OR GIRLFRIEND!

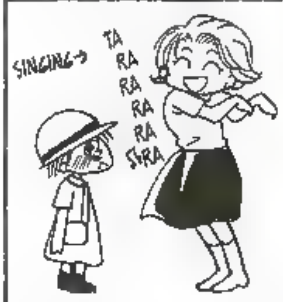
STUPID FORTUNE-TELLING!
...I'M "SENSITIVE AND NAIVE."
BLUSH
BY THE WAY, AS "EGG SUSHI"...
TA TA
I'VE GOT PLANS WITH GRANDPA
I'D BETTER BE GETTING BACK!
AH!
BEEP BEEP
LEER LEER
WHAT?!
THAT GIRL'S LIKE A STORM.

HAH ?!
GRIN
MARCH 31ST...
WE'RE ALMOST EXACTLY THE SAME AGE...
(They're one grade apart because 4/2 is the cutoff date for Japanese schools.)
DUN DUN- DUN DUN
WHEN THE HELL HAVE YOU EVER HELD BACK?!
OH!
BEEP
IN THAT CASE ...
...THERE'S NO REASON FOR ME TO HOLD BACK.

THE RETURN of a Day in the Life of My Mom, Kaoru (Part One)

My mother's name is Kaoru. There's nobody else like her and that's a good thing.

When I was five

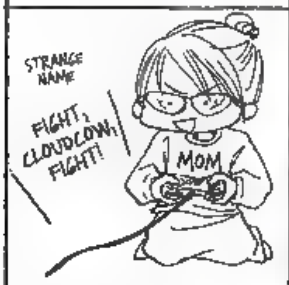


She fooled me into believing I was "half-American, born in Hawaii" and even did a hula dance to back up her claim

When I was in High School

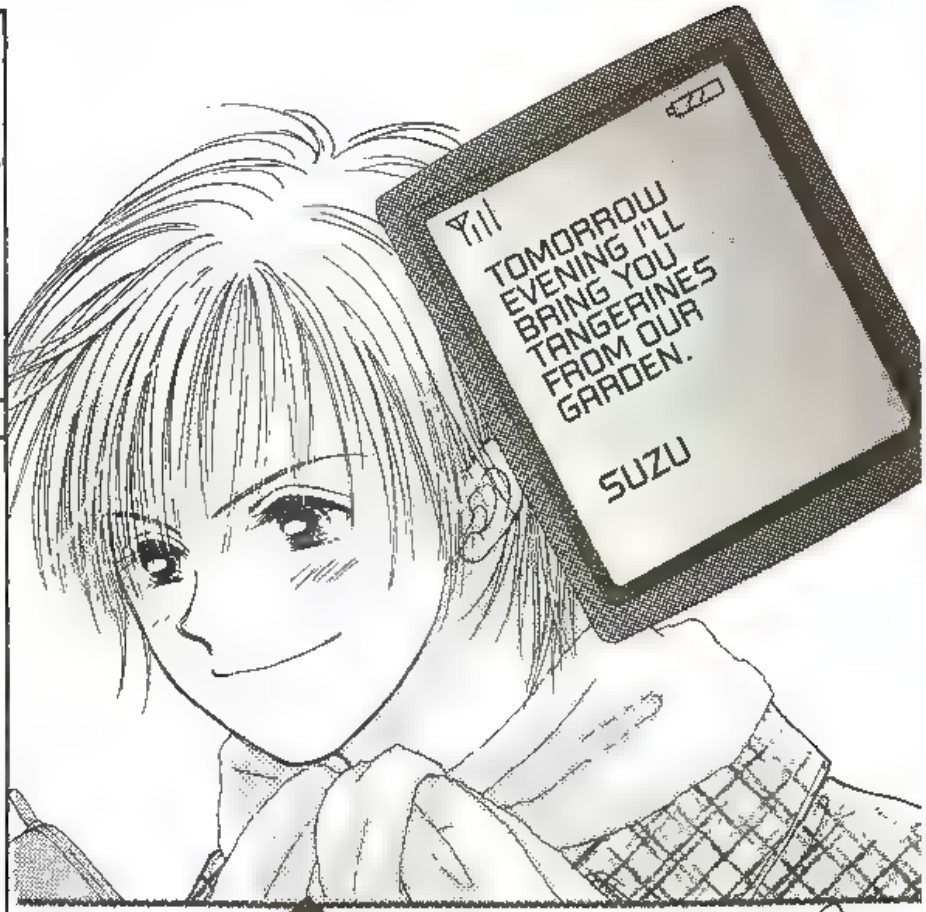
My younger brothers often wrote their names on pudding and yogurt in the fridge...but so did my mom.

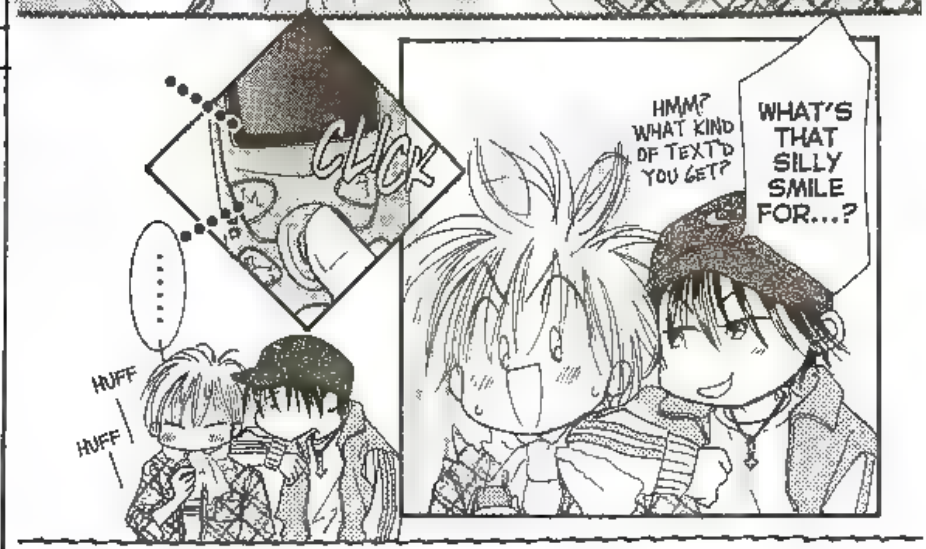
At Present

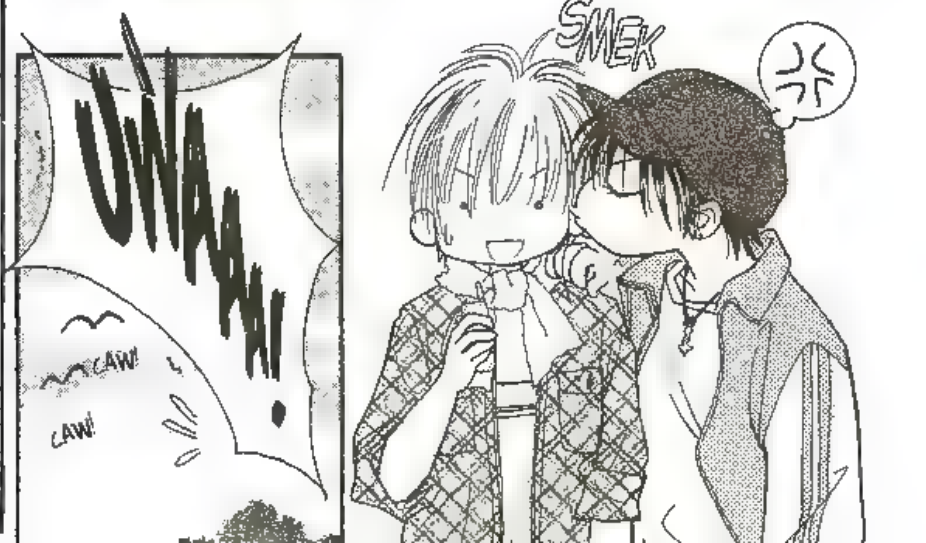


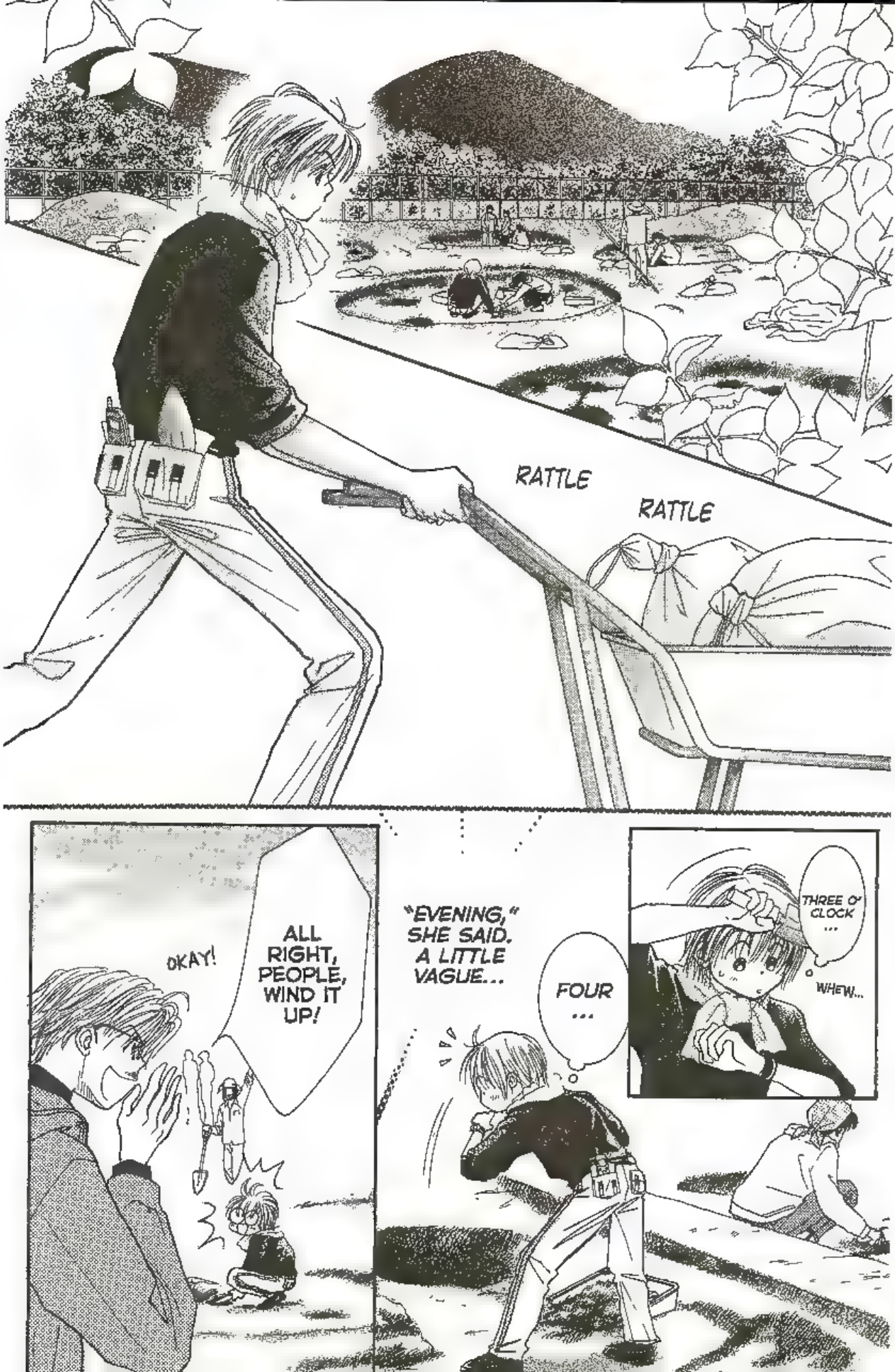
She's addicted to Final Fantasy on the Playstation.

To be continued..







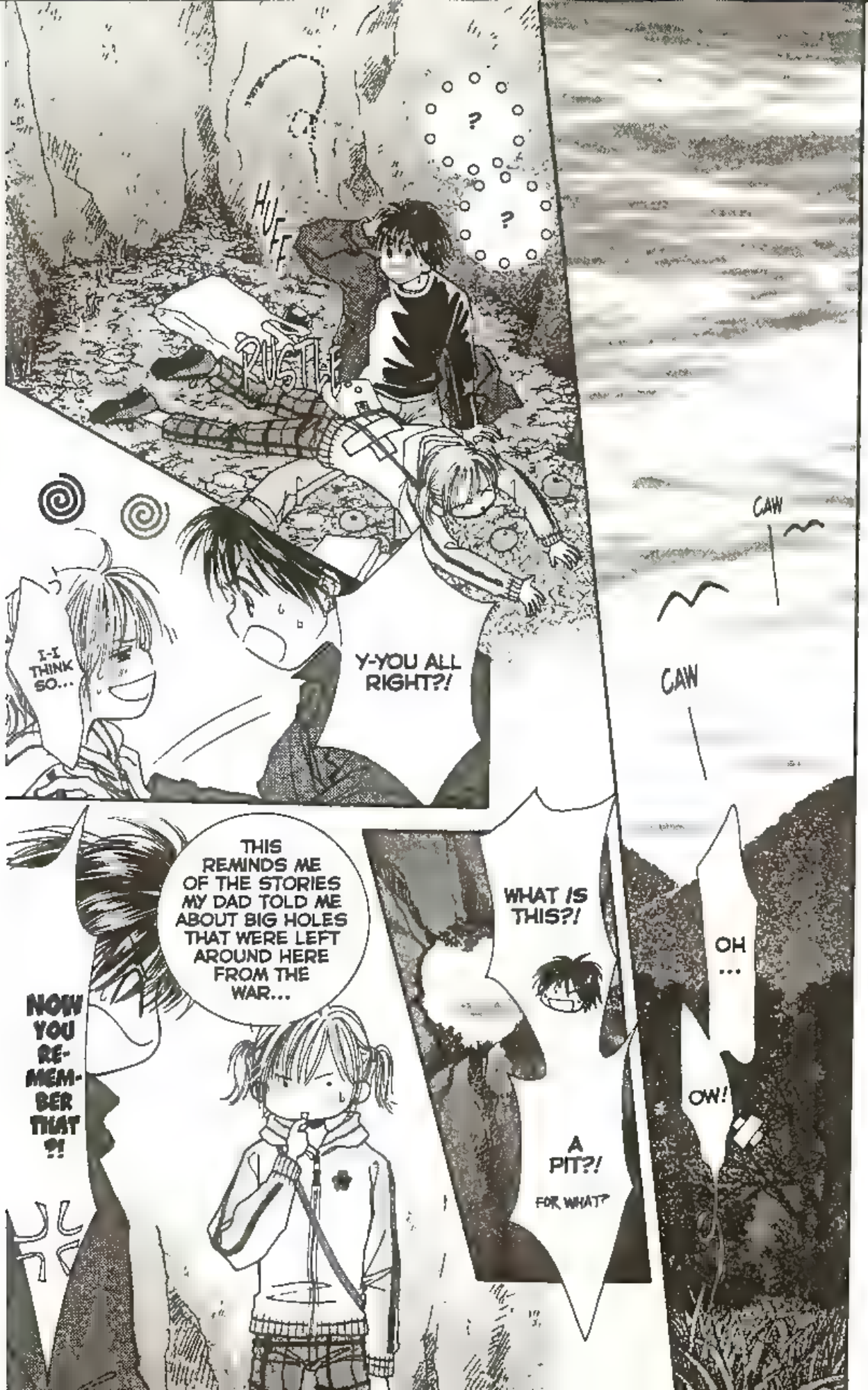

RATTLE
RATTLE
ALL RIGHT, PEOPLE, WIND IT UP!
OKAY!
"EVENING," SHE SAID. A LITTLE VAGUE...
FOUR ...
THREE O' CLOCK ...
WHEW...

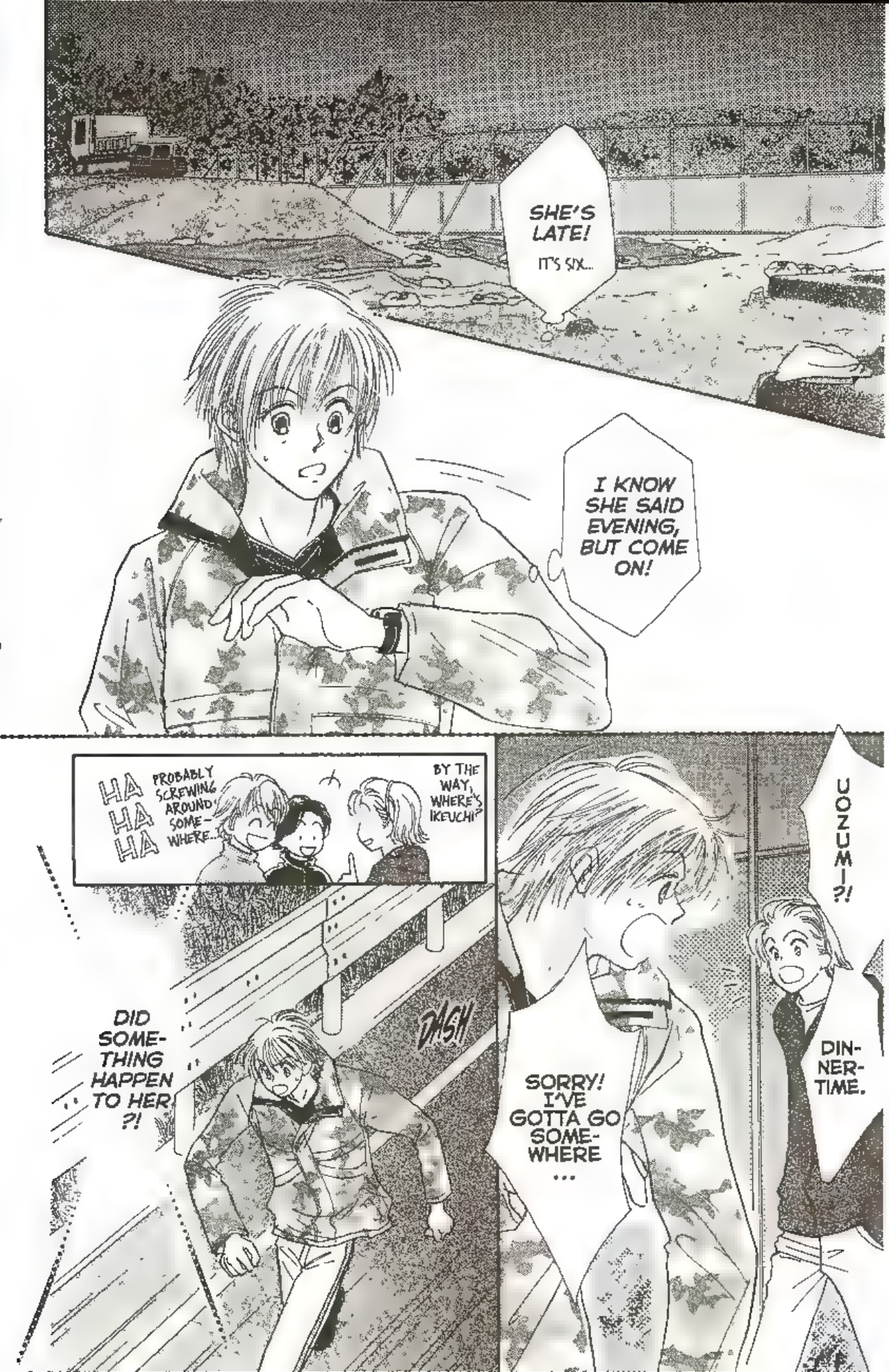
RUKURUKU
BEEP
AT THE MOMENT, YOUR CALL CANNOT GO THROUGH.
BEEP
BEEP
BEEP
DID SHE GO OUT WITHOUT HER CELL...?
HUFF
HUFF
I'M LATE!

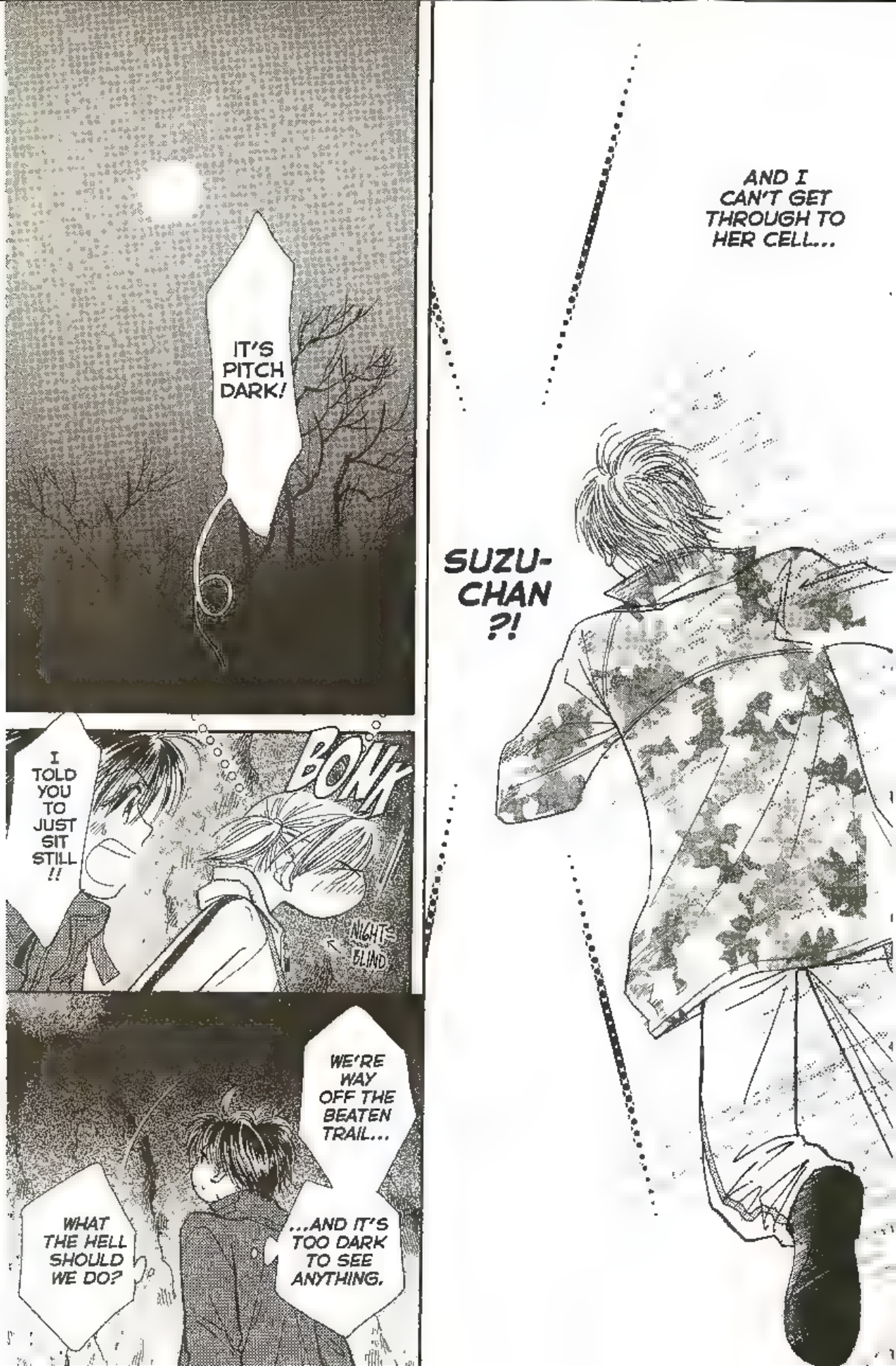
TA
TA
YUKI, WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
SHOULDN'T YOU BE AT THE DIG?
I'M DONE FOR THE DAY! ♫
CHAMP
THE LATEST ISSUE OF "CHAMP" WENT ON SALE TODAY.
I GUESS YOU'D CALL THIS THE "MIDDLE OF NOWHERE"?
DAMN, YOUR COUNTRY CONVENIENCE STORE IS FAR...
I-I'M SORRY!
POP

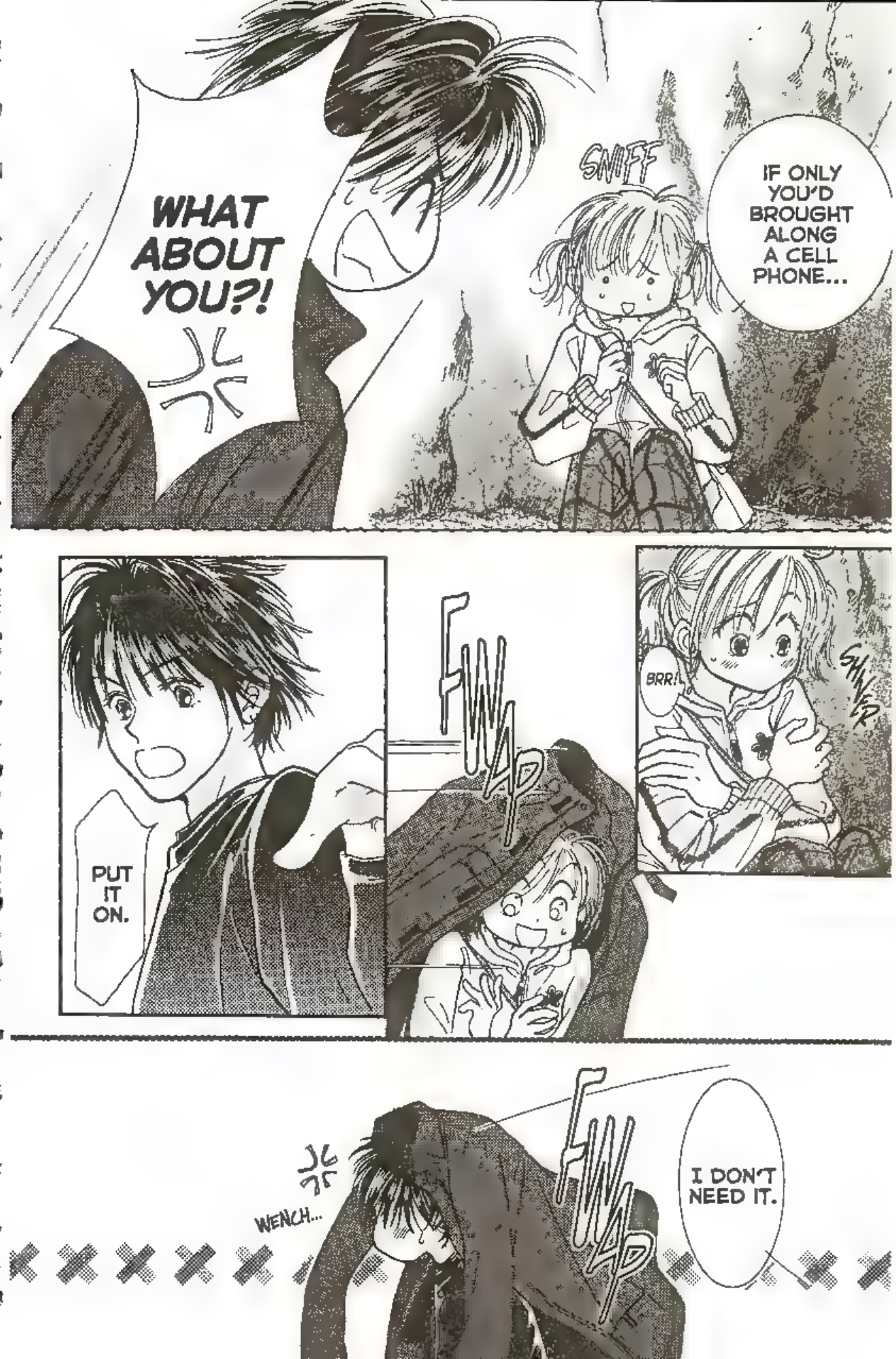
HEY, YUKI, LET'S TAKE A SHORT-CUT!
YOU'RE THE ONE DROPPING 'EM!
YOU PICK 'EM UP!
PWISH
PWISH!
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
ARE YOU SURE ABOUT THIS?
MY GARDEN IS RIGHT OVER THERE! ♡
LEAVE IT TO ME!
CRUNCH
CRUNCH
IS THIS A PATH?

CAW
CAW
WHEEZE
.....
LOSING CONFI-DENCE
THIS IS REALLY THE WAY ?!
SNAP
KATUNK
?
AH!
GRA
B
KyAAAAAk
HEY!
FWOOOSH


HUFF
RUSTLE
?
?
I-I THINK SO...
Y-YOU ALL RIGHT?!
CAW
CAW
OH ...
OW!
WHAT IS THIS?!
A PIT?!
FOR WHAT?
THIS REMINDS ME OF THE STORIES MY DAD TOLD ME ABOUT BIG HOLES THAT WERE LEFT AROUND HERE FROM THE WAR...
NOW YOU RE-MEM-BER THAT ?!


SHE'S LATE!
IT'S SIX...
I KNOW SHE SAID EVENING, BUT COME ON!
HA HA HA
PROBABLY SCREWING AROUND SOME-WHERE...
BY THE WAY, WHERE'S IKEUCHI?
DASH
DID SOME-THING HAPPEN TO HER ?!
UOZUMI-?!
DIN-NER-TIME.
SORRY! I'VE GOTTA GO SOME-WHERE ...


AND I CAN'T GET THROUGH TO HER CELL...
SUZU-CHAN ?!
IT'S PITCH DARK!
I TOLD YOU TO JUST SIT STILL !!
BONK
NIGHT BLIND
WE'RE WAY OFF THE BEATEN TRAIL...
...AND IT'S TOO DARK TO SEE ANYTHING.
WHAT THE HELL SHOULD WE DO?


WHAT ABOUT YOU?!
SNIFF
IF ONLY YOU'D BROUGHT ALONG A CELL PHONE...
PUT IT ON.
FWAP
BRR!
SHIVER
WENCH...
FWAP
I DON'T NEED IT.

FWAP
JUST DO WHAT I ASK FOR ONCE!
HE DOESN'T HAVE TO GET ROUGH ...
SUMP

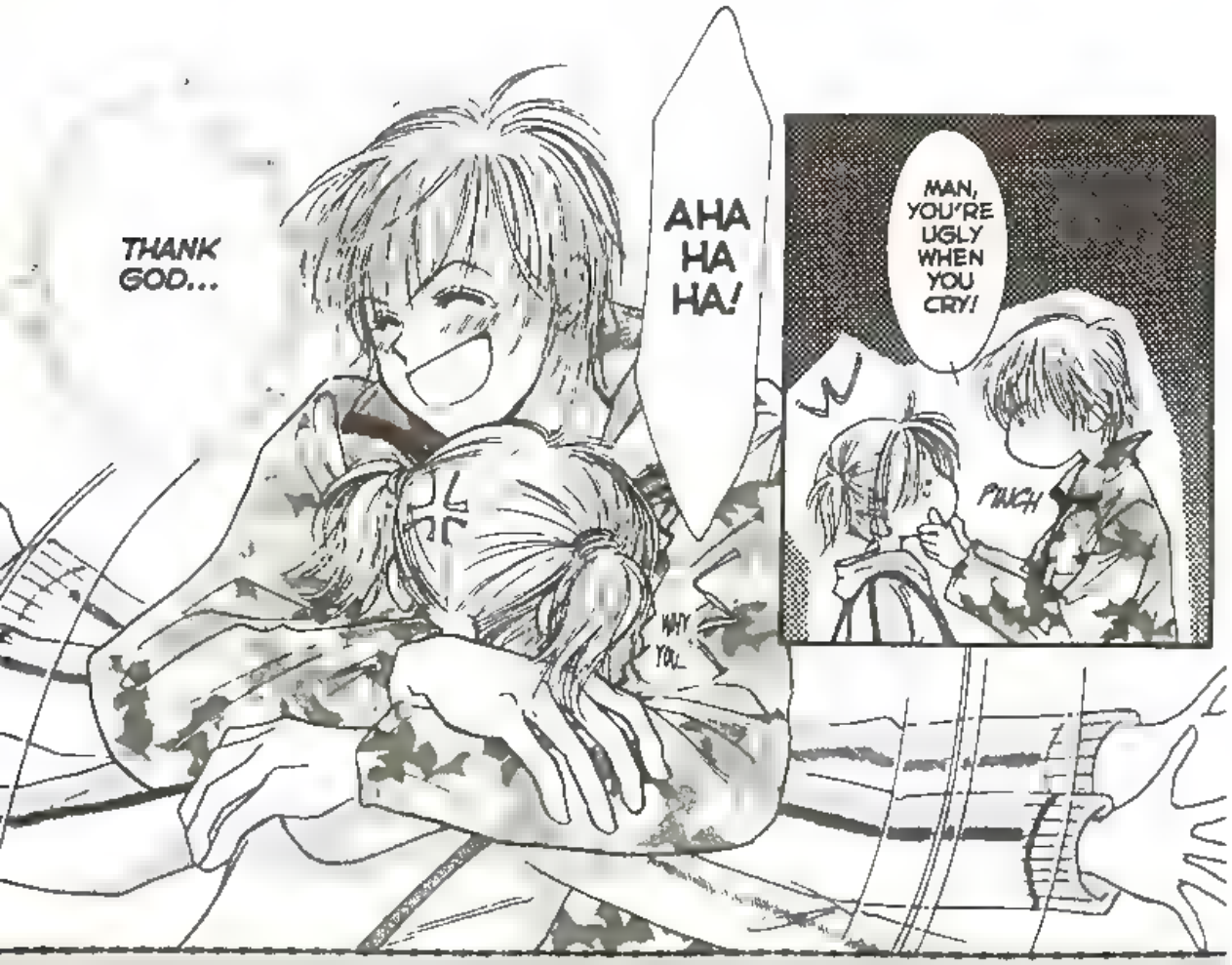
THOUGH THERE'S NO LIGHT TO READ "CHAMP" BY...
ON THE BRIGHT SIDE...
...WE HAVE PLENTY OF TANGERINES AND CONVE-NIENCE STORE RICE BALLS.
CHUCKLE CHUCKLE
PFFT!
IS HE CHEERING ME UP?

GRAB
WHA --!
WH- WH-- WHAT ...??
YOU MUST BE COLD, TOO!
HERE-- IT'S WARMER THIS WAY.
OKAY ...

UOZUMI-SAN IS GONNA KILL ME...
NOW I'M JUST RUNNING AROUND HAPHAZ-ARDLY...
I'VE GOT NO FEEL FOR THE LAND.
SQUISH
?
HUFF
HUFF

SUZU-CHAN !!
THE WOODS ARE SO DENSE ...
TOMORROW EVENING I'LL BRING YOU TANGERINES FROM OUR GARDEN
A TAN-GERINE ?!
U-UOZUMI-KUN?!

SNIFF
SNIFF
HIC
U-UOZU-MI--KUN ...
HIC
SOB
DRIP
SNIFF
...I WAS REALLY SCARED ...
TRUTH BE TOLD...
SOB
SOB



...I GOT TO SEE YOU AGAIN.

RageQuit Manga

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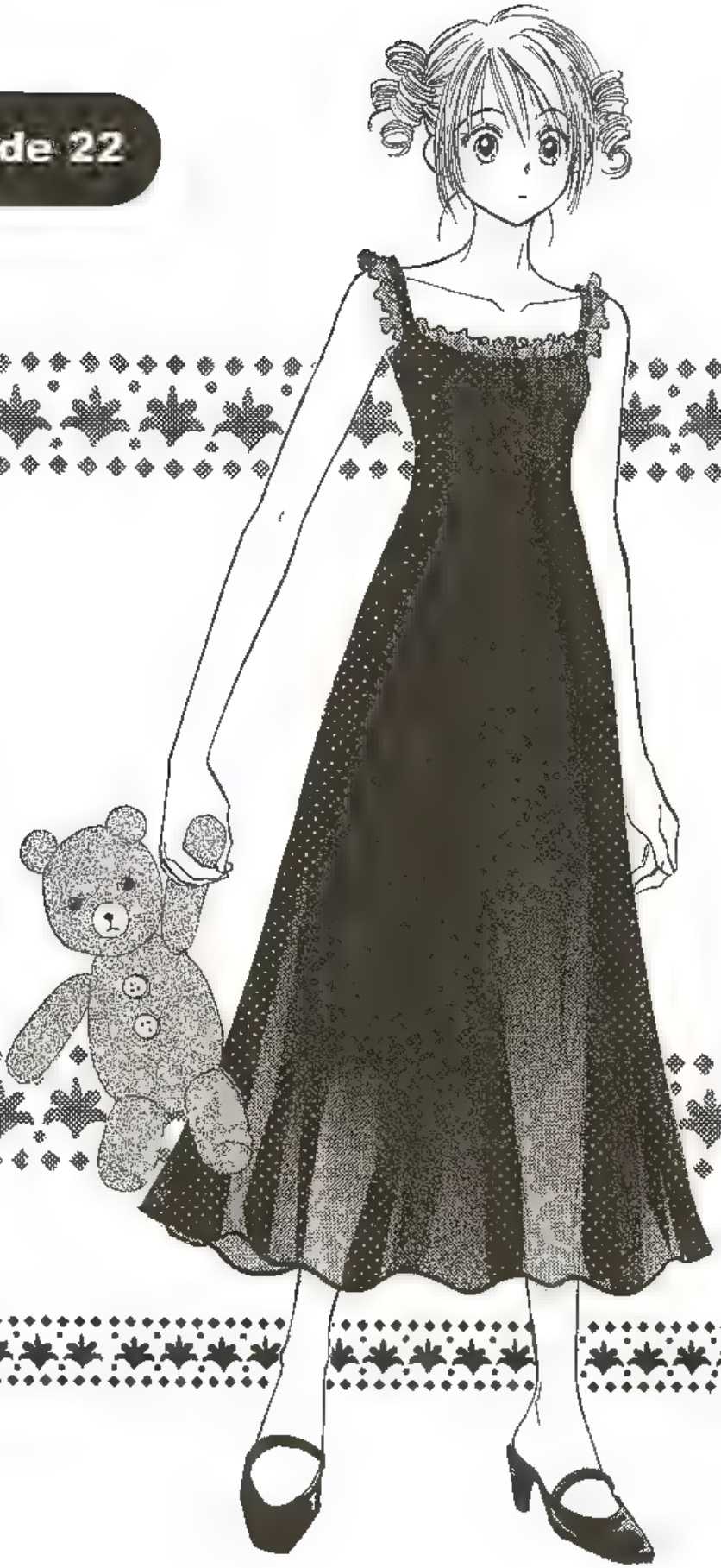
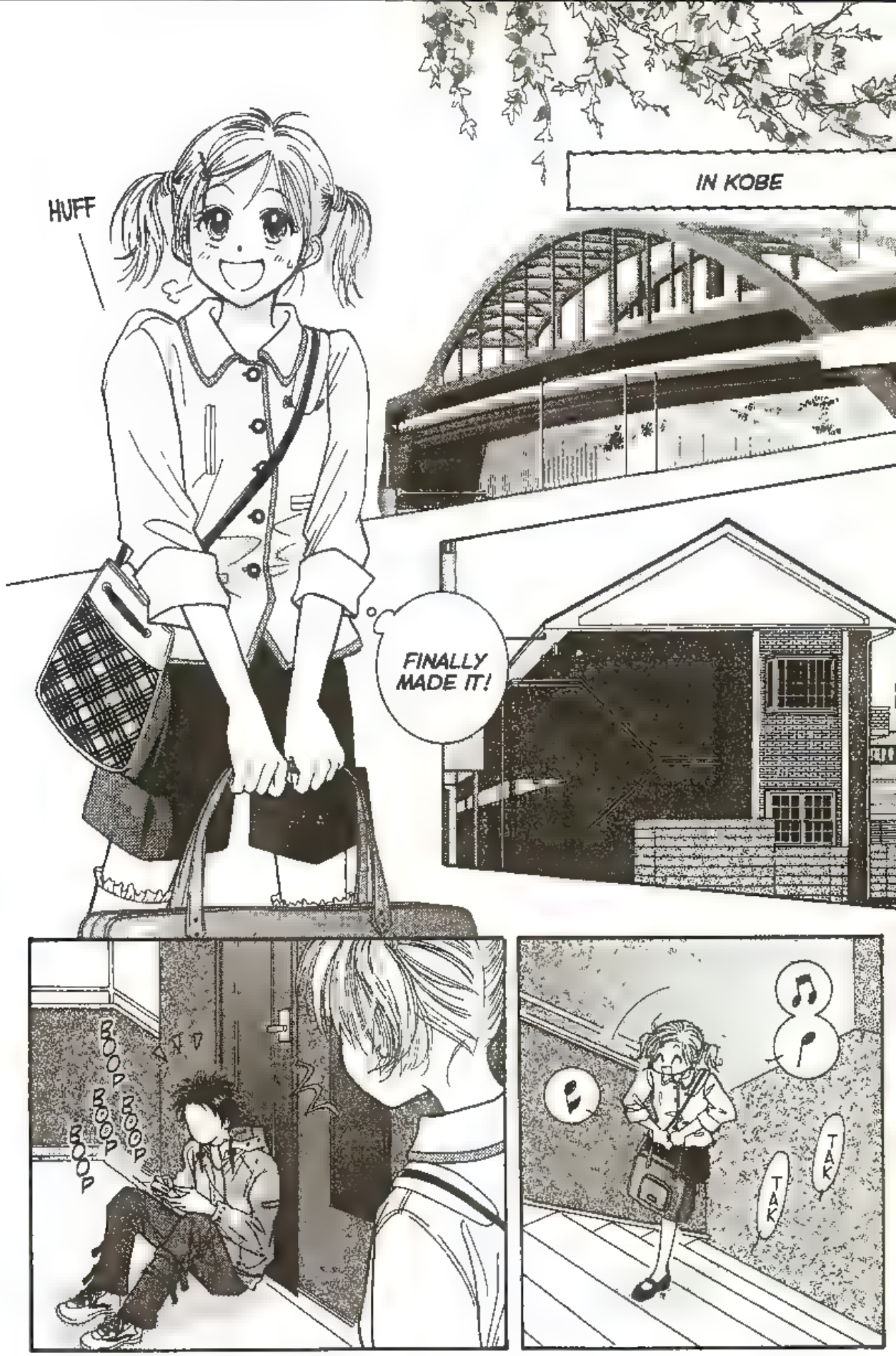


CHEW CHEW
CHEW
YUKI AND I GOT A BITTER CHEWING-OUT FROM MOMOKAWA-SENSEI ABOUT OUR MISHAP IN THE MOUNTAINS.
GRRR
FWAP FWAP FWAP
THIS IS ALL YOUR FAULT!
AND MY REPUTATION'S PROBABLY GONNA SUFFER...
OH, LIKE YOU WEREN'T TOTALLY INTO THE IDEA OF TAKING A SHORT CUT!
DON'T TRY AND TWIST THE STORY, YUKI

WHAT STICKS IN MY CRAW...
CHEE
WORK!
O-OKAY...
...IS THE SECOND WE GOT OUT OF THE HOLE.
Replay

SCRATCH SCRATCH
WOMEN ARE TOO DAMNED HONEST ...
...THOUGH SHE DIDN'T CRY IN FRONT OF ME!
HOZUMI-KUN!
.....
CHIFF
CHIFF
CHIFF
IN THAT DARK PIT...
IT KEEPS GOING AROUND AND AROUND IN MY HEAD...

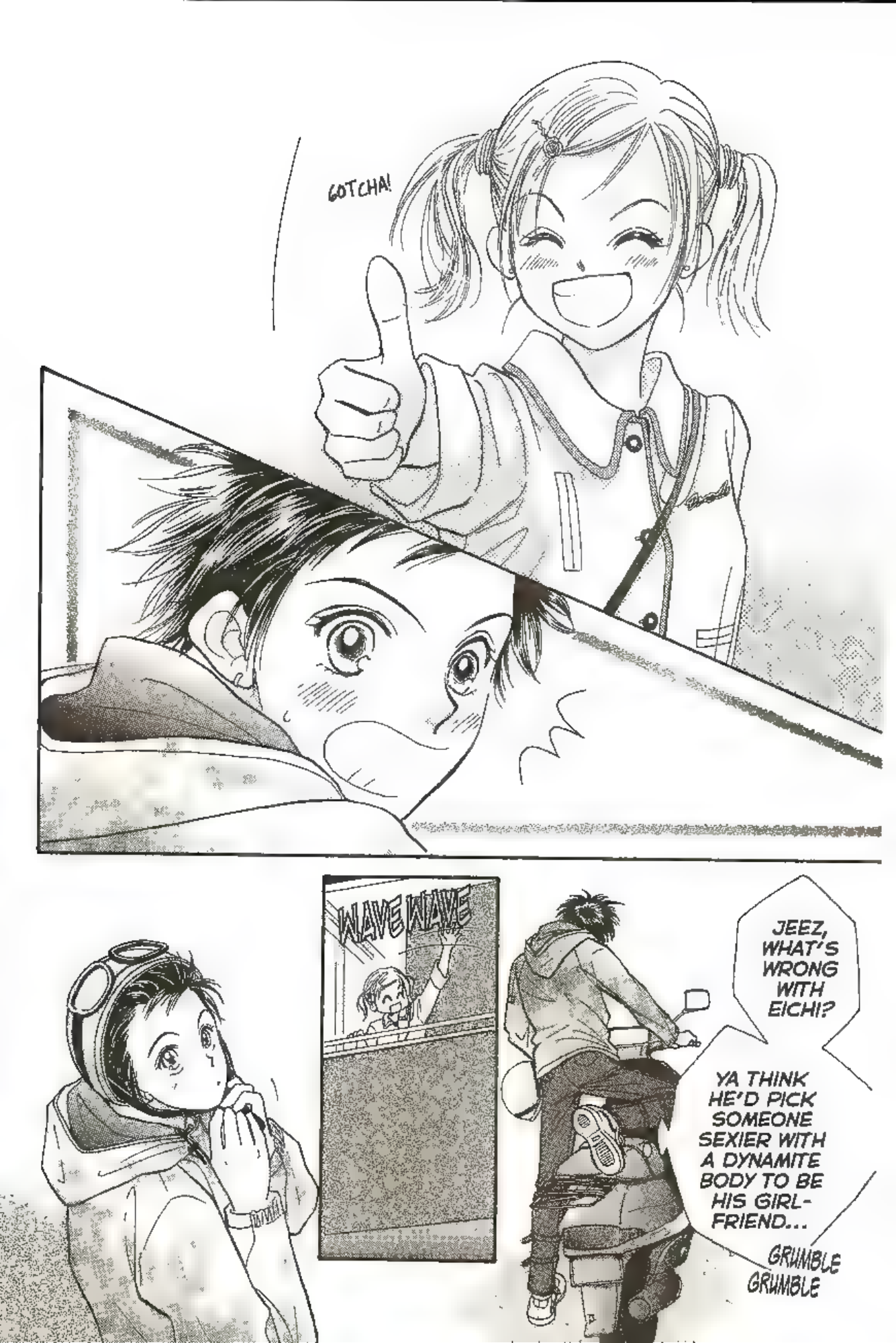
THOSE TWO WERE ALONE!
CRUSH
AND I KNOW WHAT A KISSING BANDIT HE CAN BE!
TAKING A BREAK
WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO.
CUT IT OUT, YUKI! YOU JERK!
WHAP
THUD

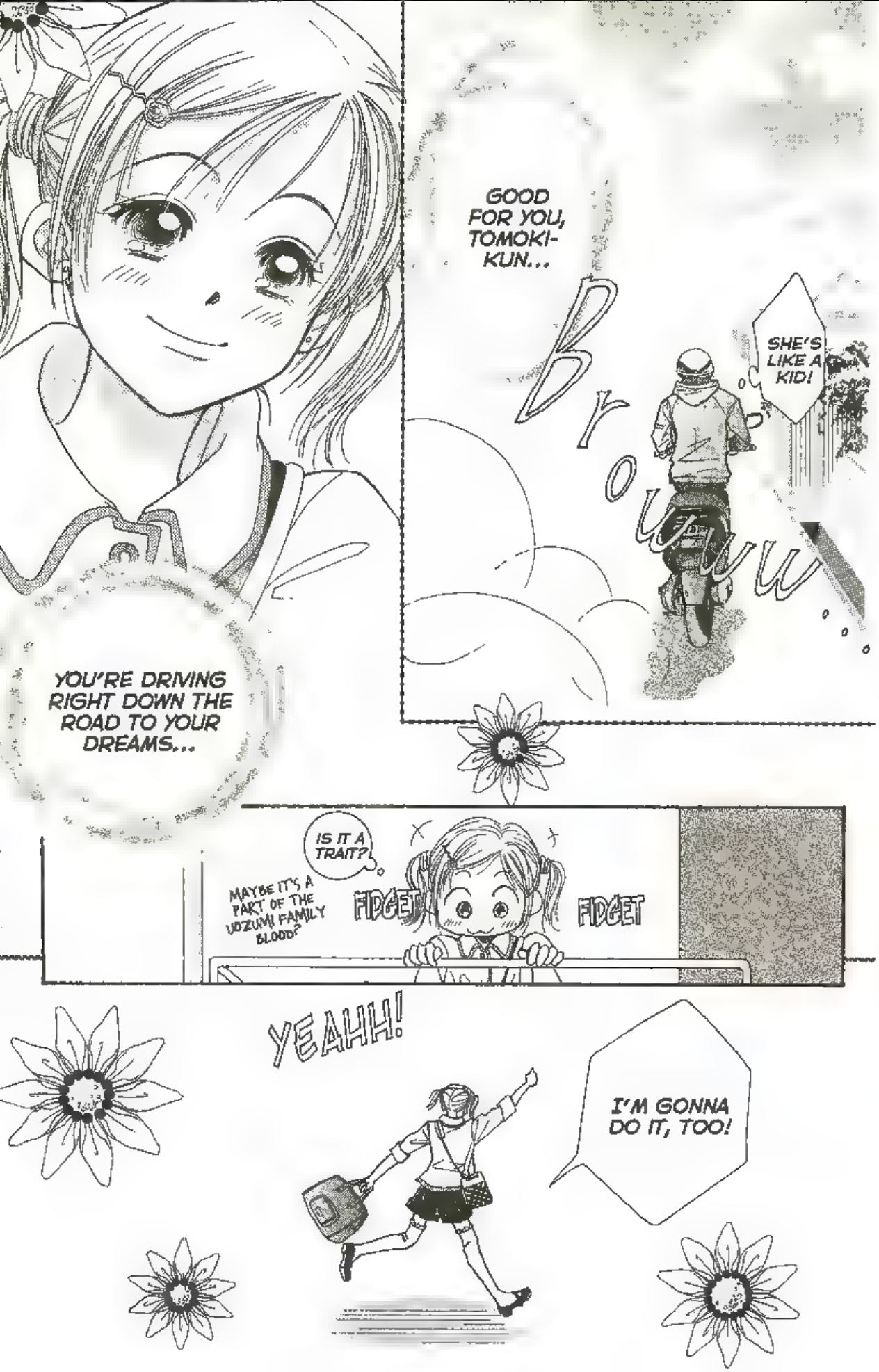

IN KOBE
HUFF
FINALLY MADE IT!
BOOP BOOP BOOP BOOP BOOP
TAK TAK

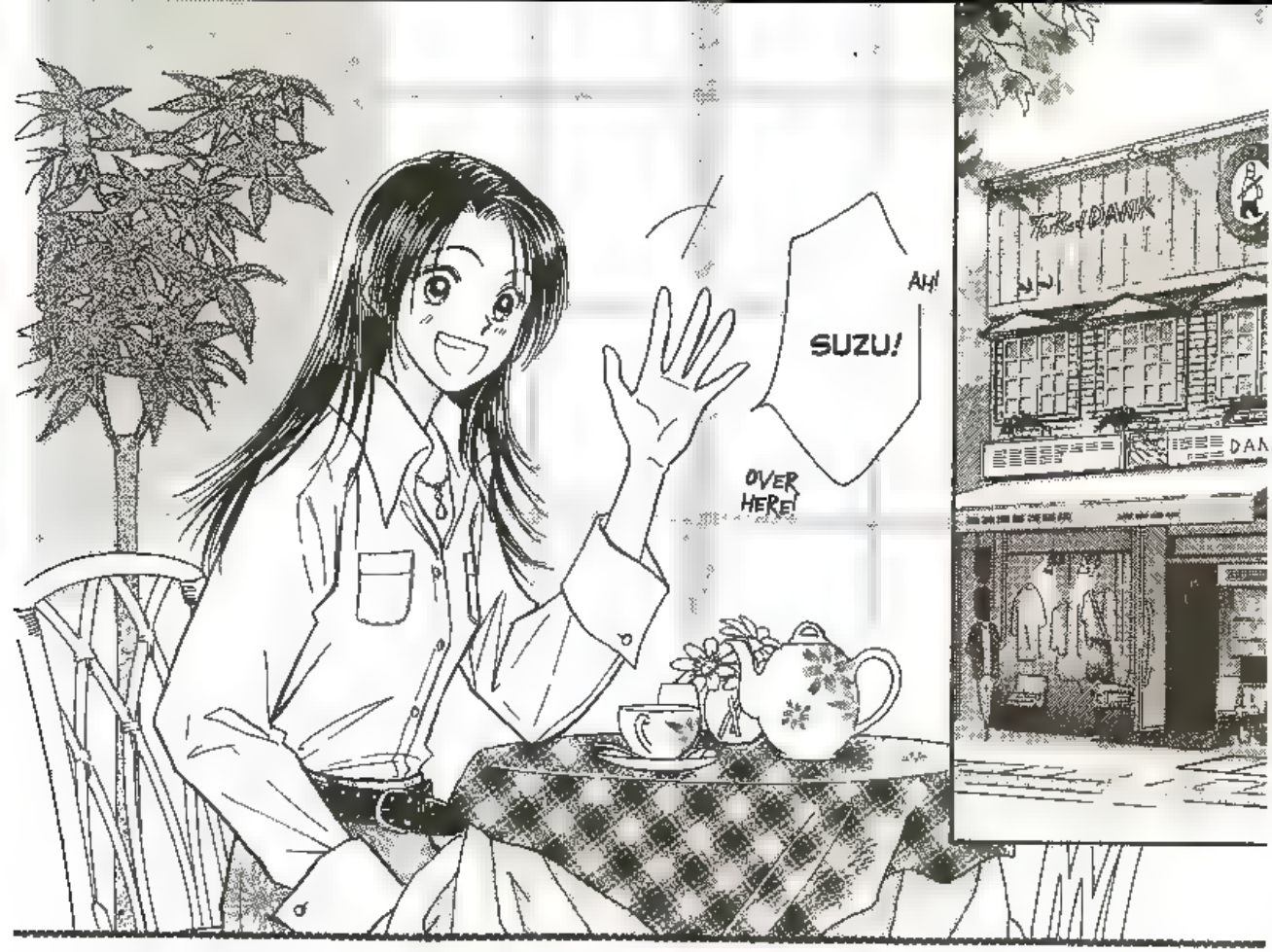
DON'T TOUCH IT!
WHA! YOUR HAIR IS ALL FEATHERY!
TO-MOKI-KUN?!
MY GAME!
BLOOM
GAME OVER
TO--
HUH!
O-OKAYAMA?!
YOU SERIOUS?
HE'S PARTICIPATING IN AN ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIG!
IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR UOZUMI-KUN, HE'S STILL IN OKAYAMA!
GR
IN
GLANCE
GLANCE

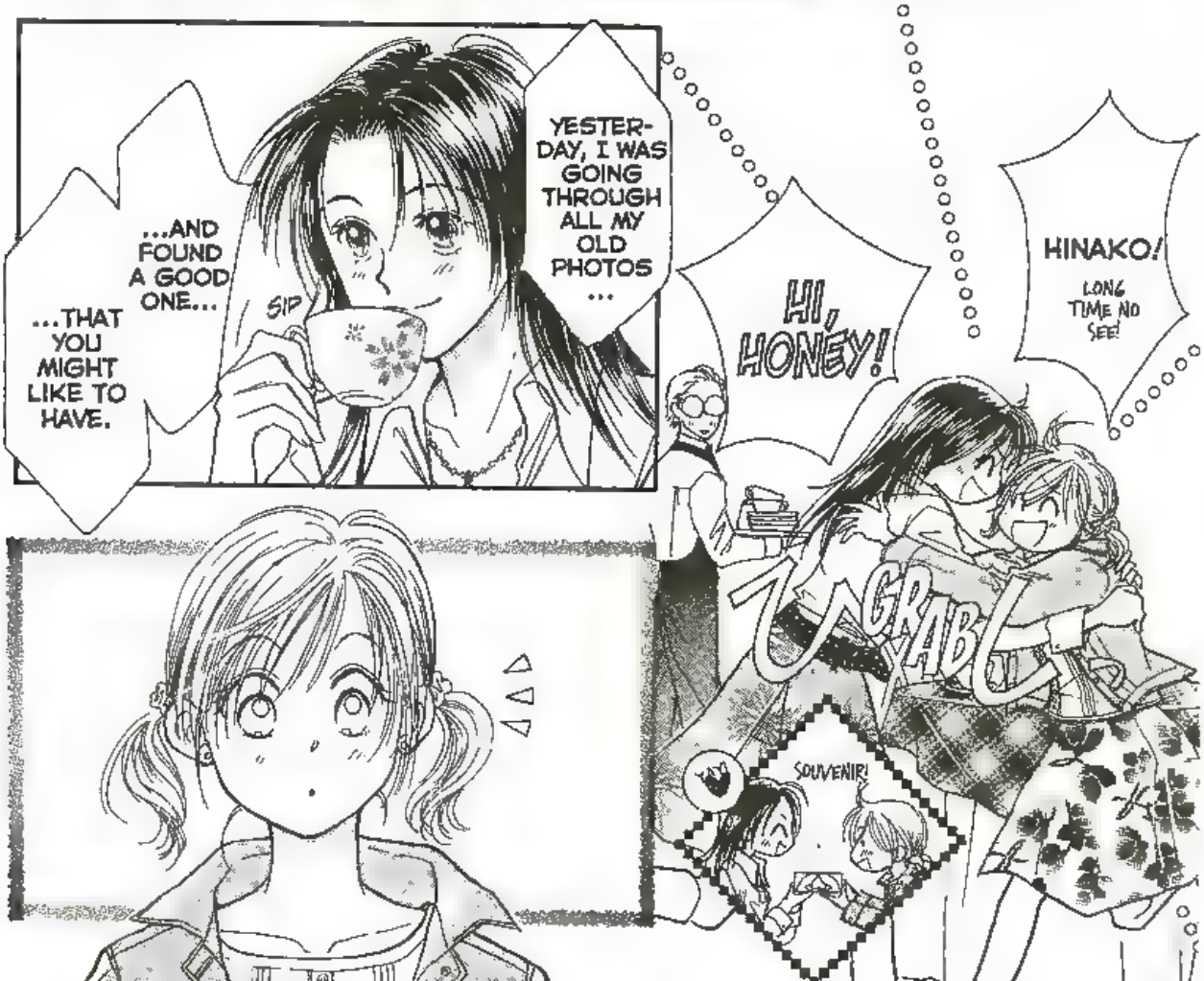
HMM ...
SOUNDS LIKE YOU KNOW A LOT ABOUT IT...
I THINK HE'S COMING BACK TOMORROW EVENING...
EH? AH!
TOMOKI-KUN?!
I'M GOING HOME.
NOT LISTENING
I JUST HAPPENED TO BE IN OKAYAMA AT THE SAME TIME...
N-NOT THAT MUCH ...
DAMN IT...! I CAME HERE FOR NOTHING!

STARTING IN APRIL, I'LL BE RENTING AN APART-MENT IN THIS AREA.
IT'S SET ...
I'M GOIN' TO HAIR SALON SCHOOL!
?
SPIN
TELL HIM THAT, TOO!


GOTCHA!
WAVE WAVE
JEEZ, WHAT'S WRONG WITH EICHI?
YA THINK HE'D PICK SOMEONE SEXIER WITH A DYNAMITE BODY TO BE HIS GIRL-FRIEND...
GRUMBLE GRUMBLE

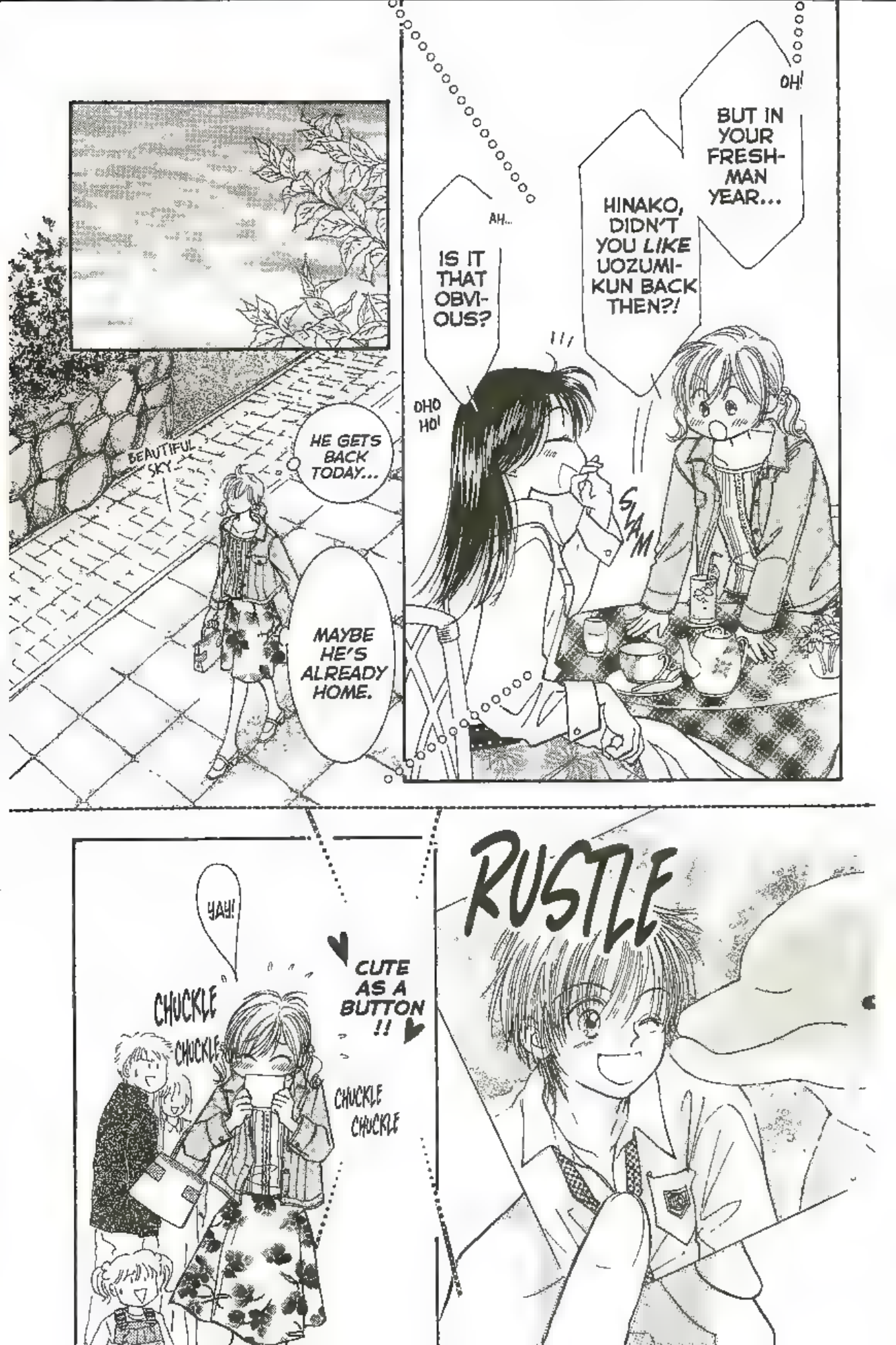

GOOD FOR YOU, TOMOKI-KUN...
brouuu...
SHE'S LIKE A KID!
YOU'RE DRIVING RIGHT DOWN THE ROAD TO YOUR DREAMS...
IS IT A TRAIT?
MAYBE IT'S A PART OF THE UDZUMI FAMILY BLOOD?
FIDGET
FIDGET
YEAHH!
I'M GONNA DO IT, TOO!


AH!
SUZU!
OVER HERE!


YESTER-DAY, I WAS GOING THROUGH ALL MY OLD PHOTOS ...
...AND FOUND A GOOD ONE...
SIP
...THAT YOU MIGHT LIKE TO HAVE.
HI, HONEY!
HINAKO!
LONG TIME NO SEE!
GRAB
SOUVENIR!

UWAAA!
THIS IS CUTE!
THE DOLPHIN'S KISSING UOZUMI-KUN!
GRIP
WE WENT TO AN AQUARIUM ON A FIELD TRIP OUR FRESHMAN YEAR IN HIGH SCHOOL.
SWISH
AHA HA!
EHHH?
AH...
PICK ME! PICK ME!
I DO! I DO!
AT THE DOLPHIN SHOW...
DOES ANYONE ...
...WANT TO BE KISSED BY A DOLPHIN?

SMILE
LIKE A KID...
HE WAS SO BOIS-TER-OUS!
THAT'S HOW HE WAS BACK THEN!
I THINK THAT'S THE ONLY SOLO PHOTO I HAVE OF HIM.
ALTHOUGH YOU COULD COUNT THE DOLPHIN, SINCE THAT WAS THE MAIN ATTRACTION.
GRIN GRIN
GRIN GRIN
I-IT'S NICE, BUT I DON'T ...
...OKAY.
I'LL KEEP IT.


BEAUTIFUL SKY...
HE GETS BACK TODAY...
MAYBE HE'S ALREADY HOME.
OHO HO!
IS IT THAT OBVI-OUS?
AH...
HINAKO, DIDN'T YOU *LIKE* UOZUMI-KUN BACK THEN?!
BUT IN YOUR FRESH-MAN YEAR...
OH!
SLAM
!!!
RUSTLE
YAY!
CHUCKLE
CHUCKLE
CUTE AS A BUTTON !!
CHUCKLE
CHUCKLE

BUT THIS IS HINAKO'S MEMORY.
HE WAS SO BOISTER-OUS!
FLASH ☆
AH!
DASH
AHHH!

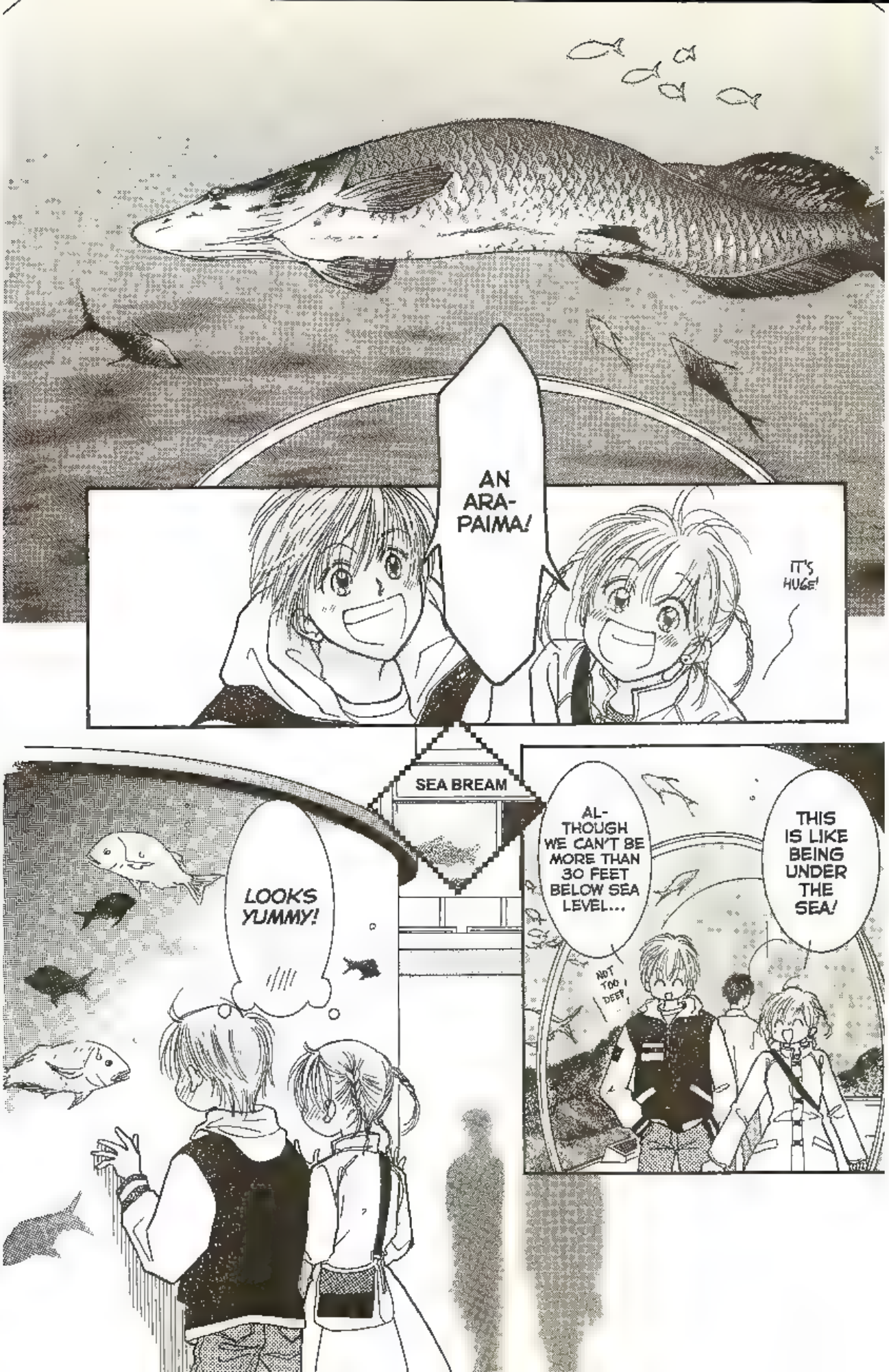
UOZUMI-KUN!
WELCOME BACK!
HUFF HUFF
TA TA TA TA
KA-CHA
TA TA TA TA
LET'S GO SEE SOME DOL-PHINS!
HOW EXCITE!
OOOOH..
HAAAA..
?
... L-LET'S GO ...
HUFF HUFF HUFF..

EHHH?
WHAT BROUGHT THIS ON ALL OF A SUDDEN?!
LET'S GO! LET'S GO! LET'S GO!
TO-MOR-ROW!
WHEN?
YEAH! LIVE!!
DOL-PHINS ?
AT THE AQUAR-IUM!
TOMOR-ROW MORNING AT 10...
ALL RIGHT...

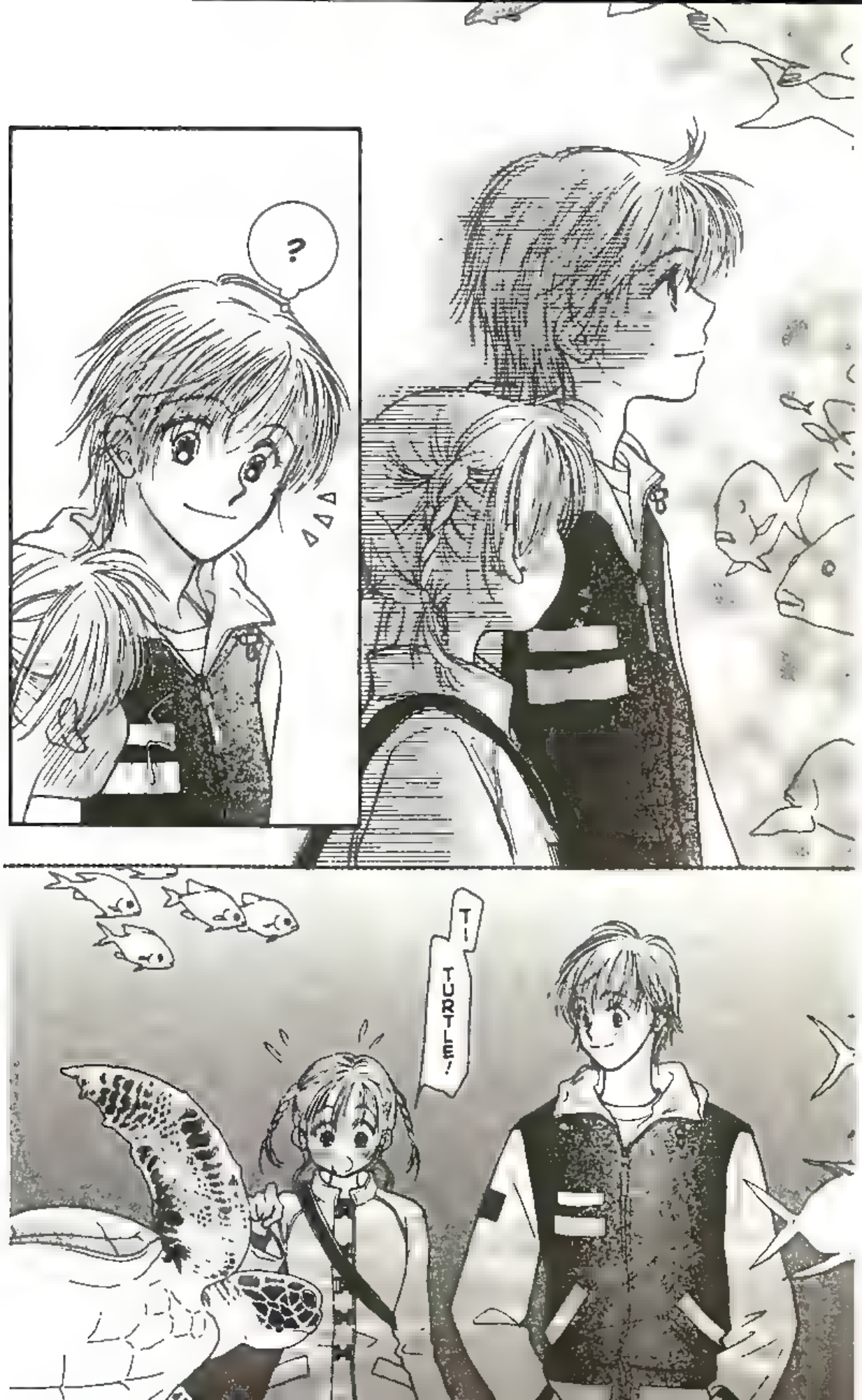
YAY!
I HOPE I GET TO SEE HIM SMILE LIKE IN THE PHOTO!
DON'T BE LATE!
FWISH
SLAM
SNICKER SNICKER
YEESH!

SUYAMA SEASIDE PARK
ZIP
THIS IS MY TREAT!
I'LL GET THE TICKETS ...
WAIT HERE!
BEEP

AFTER ALL, IT IS YOUR BIRTHDAY...
Today is March 31st
ADULT
COME ON! COME ON!
CHUCKLE

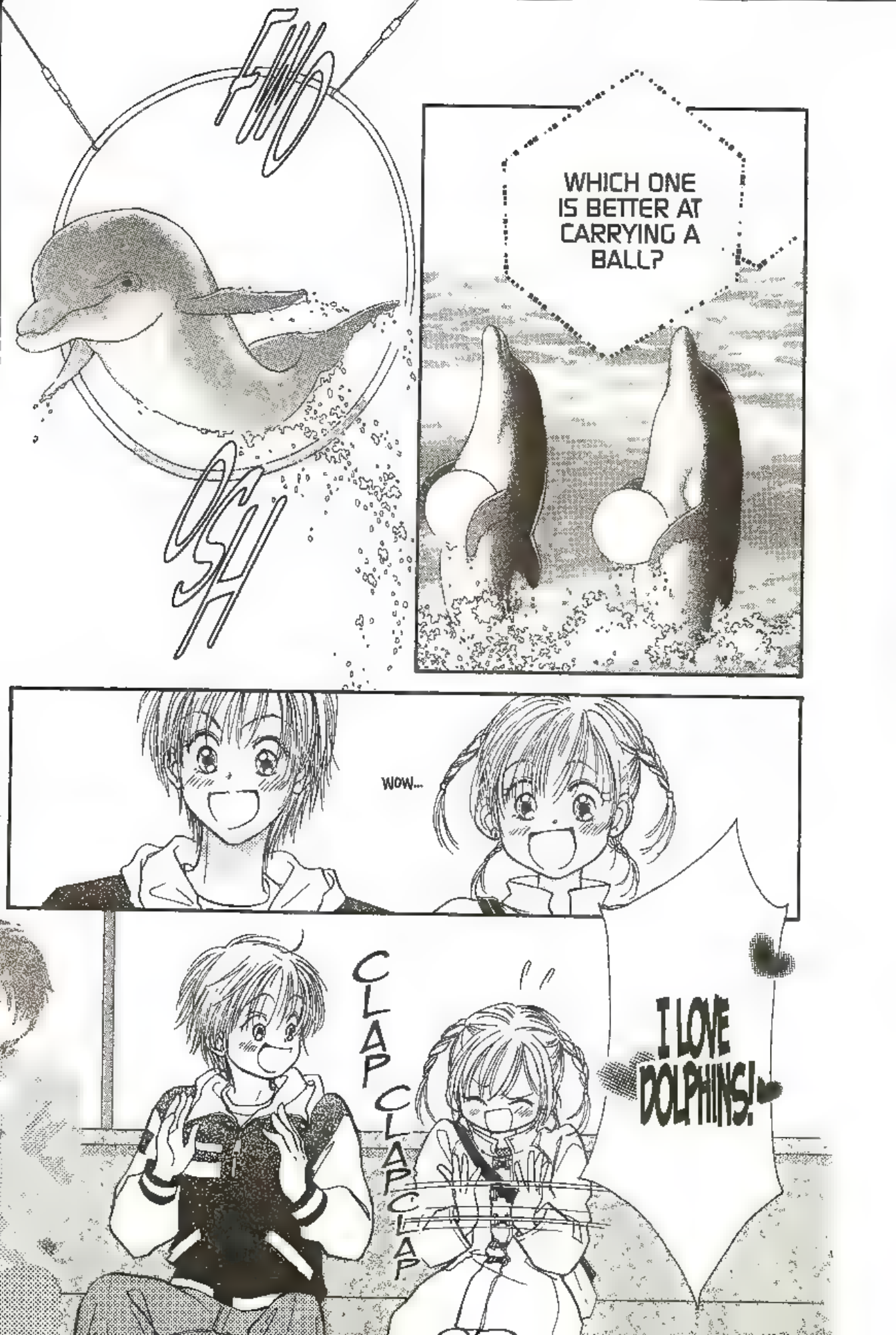

AN ARA-PAIMA!
IT'S HUGE!
SEA BREAM
LOOKS YUMMY!
AL-THOUGH WE CAN'T BE MORE THAN 30 FEET BELOW SEA LEVEL...
NOT TOO DEEP!
THIS IS LIKE BEING UNDER THE SEA!

IT'S A SEA OTTER!
LOOK-- IT'S A STATUE OF YOU, SUZU-CHAN!
THAT'S A CRAB!
AN ALIEN!
Red Legged Crab


?
TI
TURTLE!

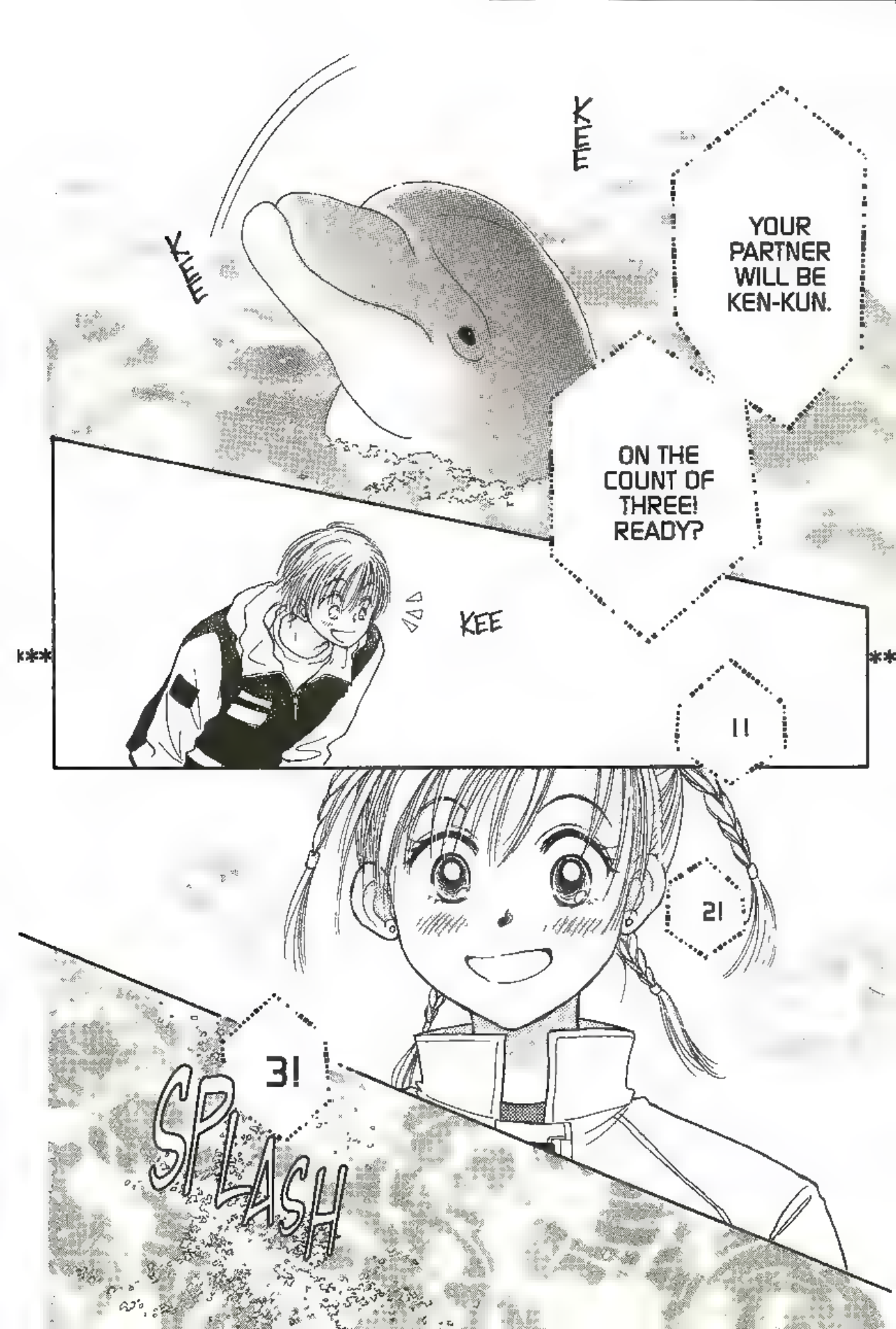
YEP.
THAT'S ONE BIG TURTLE..
BLUSH
YOU DON'T HAVE TO RUN!
UOZUMI-KUN, OVER THERE!!
THE DOLPHIN SHOW!
DOLPHIN THEATER

SPLASH
Dolphin Song
ACK
ACK
ACK
ACK
WAAA!
SO HIGH!


WHICH ONE IS BETTER AT CARRYING A BALL?
WOW...
CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP
I LOVE DOLPHINS!

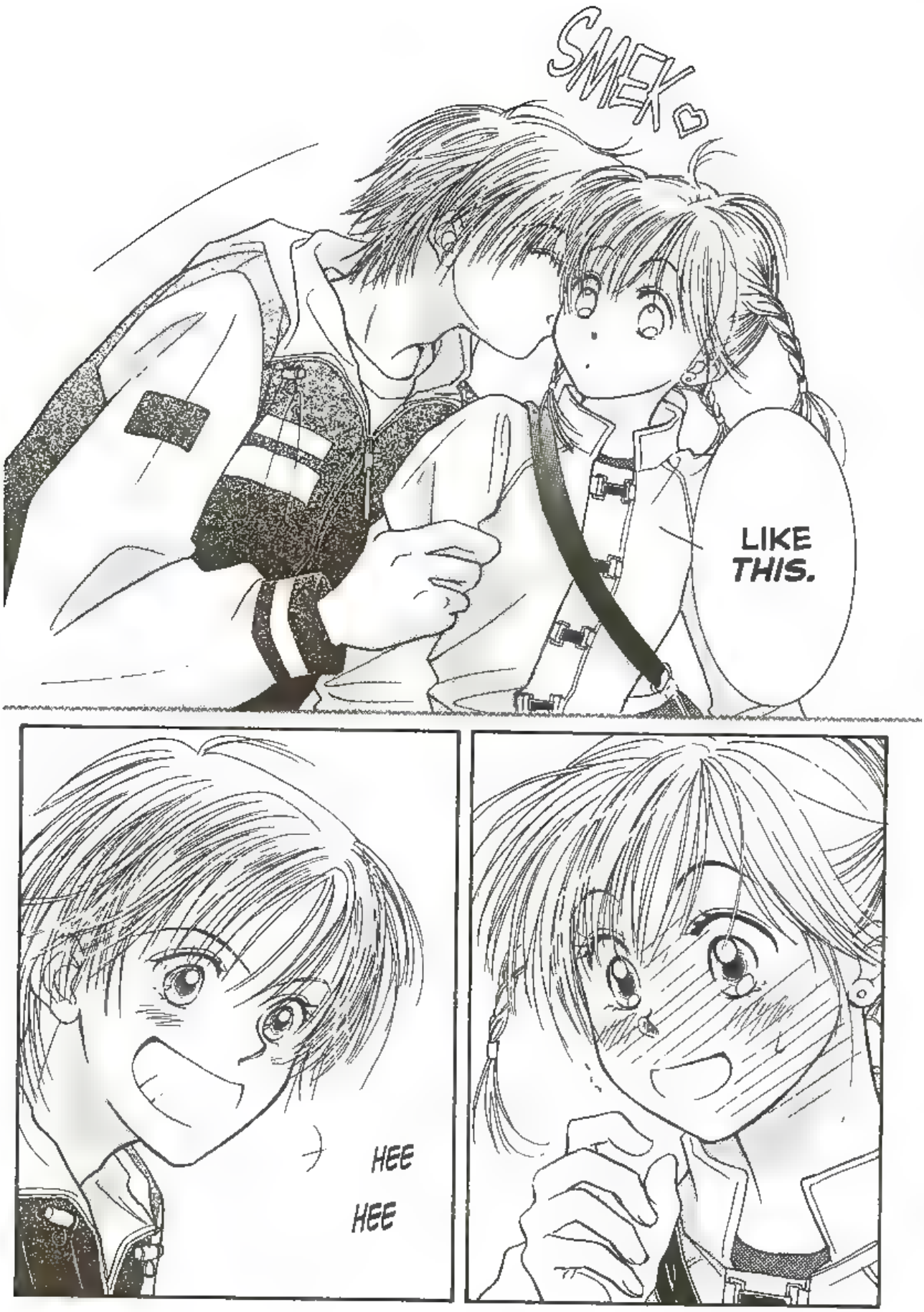
NOW, WHERE IS THERE A FRIEND OUT THERE IN THE AUDIENCE...
...WHO WANTS TO KISS ONE OF THE DOLPHINS?
HERE!!
HERE! RIGHT HERE!

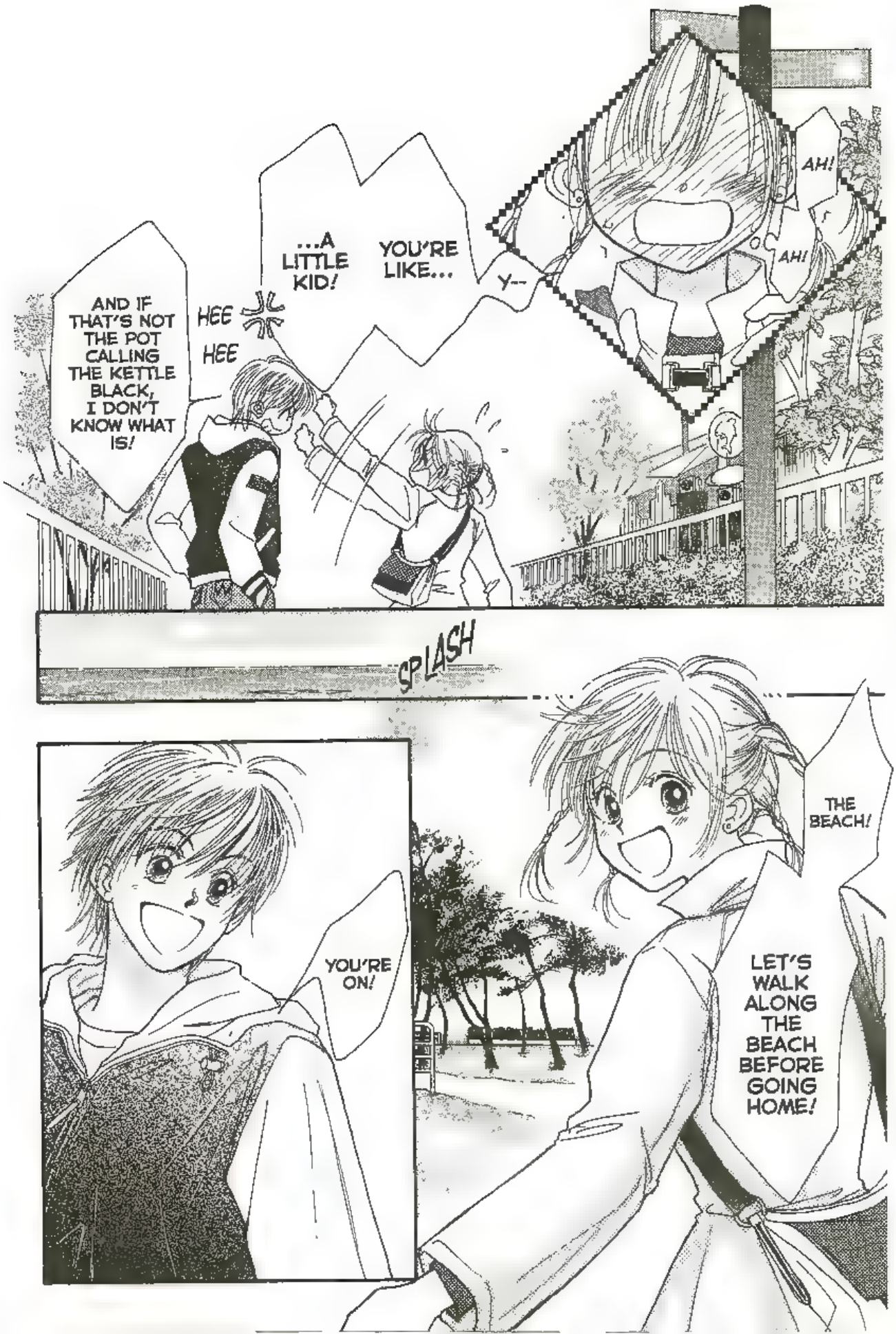
M-ME?!
PUSH
PUSH
PUSH
GET DOWN THERE!
GO ON, UOZUMI-KUN!
THUMP THUMP
COME ON DOWN TO THE STAGE!
WELL, YOU'VE CERTAINLY GOT A LOT OF ENTHUSIASM!
CLAP CLAP CLAP-CLAP
CLAP CLAP CLAP CLAP
BLUSH
EVERYONE, A ROUND OF APPLAUSE, PLEASE!
UH... 20.
HOW OLD ARE YOU?


KEE
YOUR PARTNER WILL BE KEN-KUN.
ON THE COUNT OF THREE! READY?
KEE
1!
2!
3!
SPLASH

WAAH
SMEK!♥
AHA HA!
YOU MAKE A GREAT COUPLE!
LUCKY!
TO COM-MEMORATE THE KISS, I'LL GIVE HIM A DOLPHIN STICKER!
CLAP CLAP CLAP

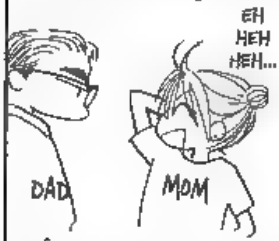
SLAP
AH!
SO WHAT'D IT FEEL LIKE TO BE KISSED BY A DOLPHIN?
IT LOOKS GOOD ON YOU!
HEY!


SMEK♡
LIKE THIS.
HEE
HEE


AH!
AH!
Y--
YOU'RE LIKE...
...A LITTLE KID!
HEE
HEE
AND IF THAT'S NOT THE POT CALLING THE KETTLE BLACK, I DON'T KNOW WHAT IS!
SPLASH
THE BEACH!
LET'S WALK ALONG THE BEACH BEFORE GOING HOME!
YOU'RE ON!

A Day in the Life of My Mom, Kooru (Part Two)

After my mom got addicted to video games...



...food on the stove occasionally burned. She'd try to keep it a secret from my dad, but the smell would give it away.

She'd play a game for hours in some weird pose, which would result in a frozen shoulder, a condition the doctor bawled her out for...

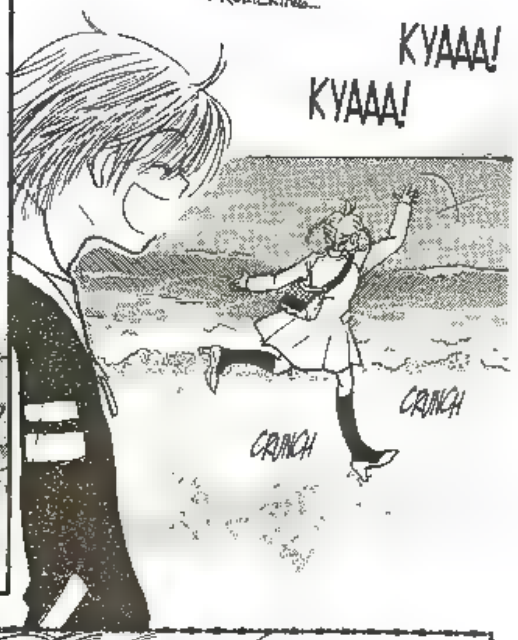
...is it hereditary?

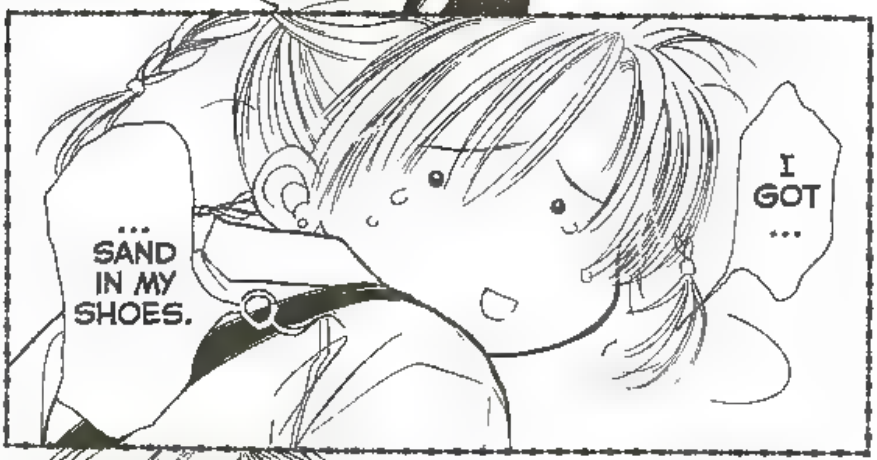
When I drew a picture of Kitty-chan for my four-year old niece, she proclaimed it "wrong," so...

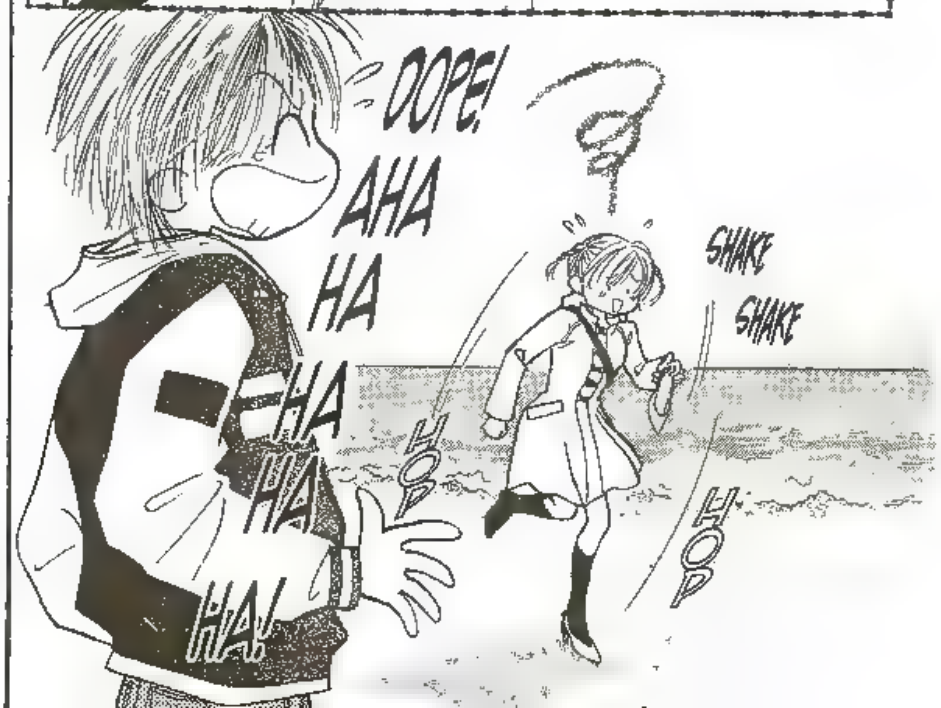
I drew this picture for her.

My apologies to Kitty-chan fans!

So is it genetics??







LOOK AT THE SUNSET!
FWEEET
KYAAA!
KYAAA!
SUZU-CHAN ...
UM...

NO WAY!
ZZZZZ
THUMP
ZZZZ
CHUCKLE
I SWEAR, WE NEVER GET THE CHANCE TO FOLLOW THROUGH.
FALL
FALL

VENUS IN LOVE (5): THE END

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